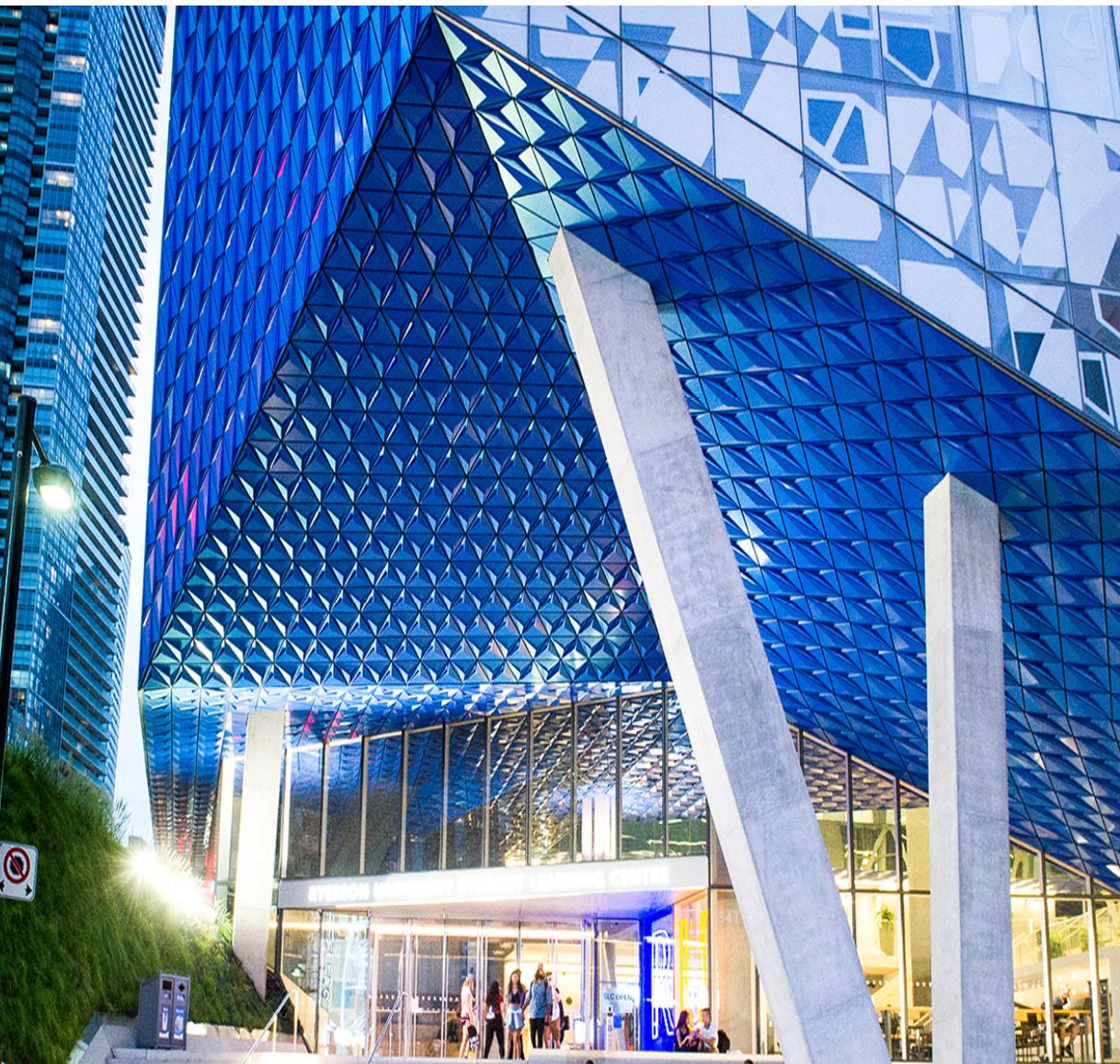


Predictors of Teams' High Performance

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Research question

what is my intent and why does it matter?

- Organizations heavily invest to hear from their employees and get very little in return
- Predictive analytics and advances in AI can complement our ability to deeply listen and give us super listening powers
- My research question is: What are the predictors of team's high performance? Can we figure out what makes some teams succeed and make this broadly available to help ALL teams succeed?

Data set Overview

- **2018 census (training set):**

[https://data.gov.au/data/dataset/aps_employee_census_2018.](https://data.gov.au/data/dataset/aps_employee_census_2018)

The 2018 census shows individual answers to 301 questions by 103,137 respondents who answered the survey in 2018.

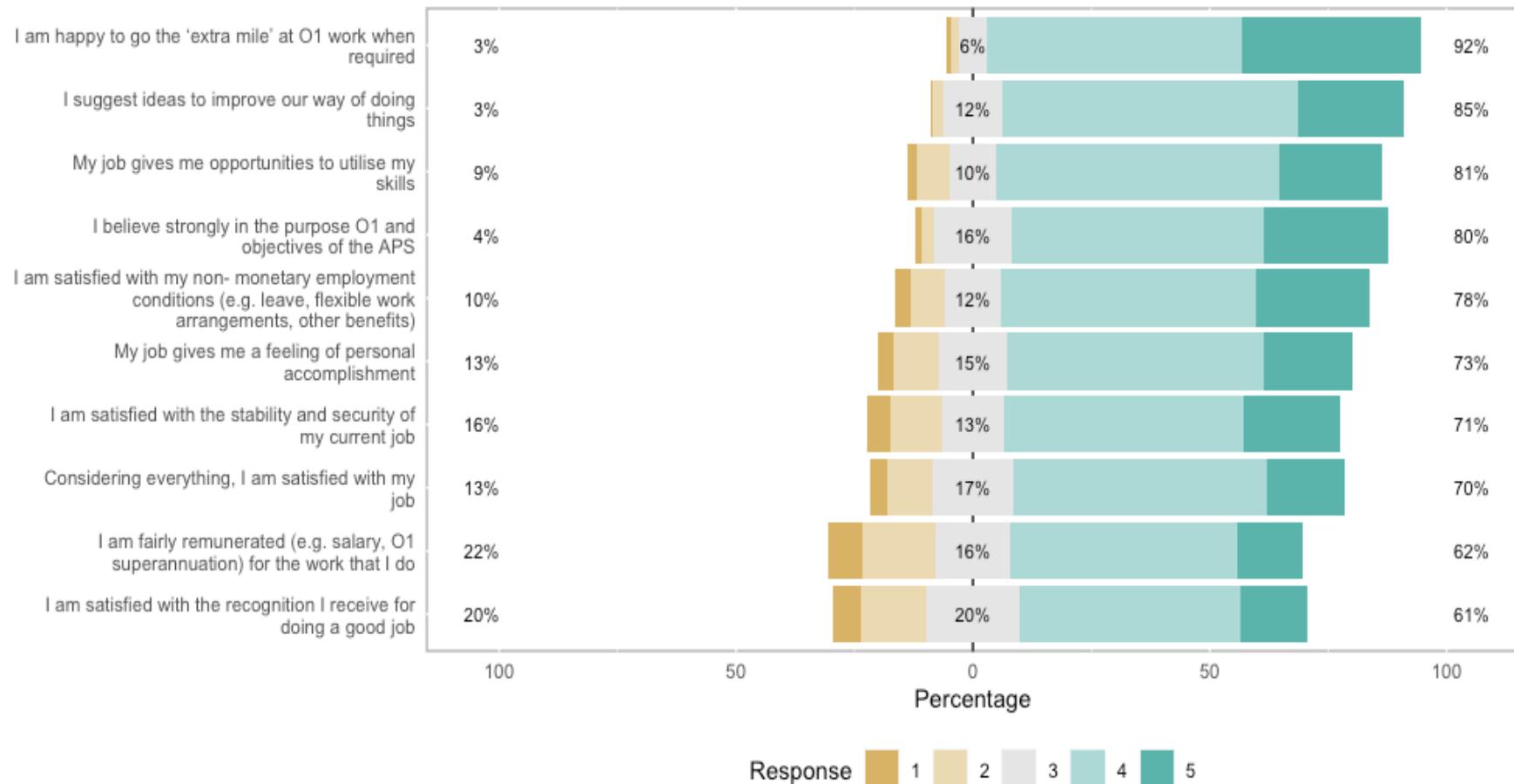
- **2019 census (test set):**

[https://data.gov.au/data/dataset/aps_employee_census_2019.](https://data.gov.au/data/dataset/aps_employee_census_2019)

The 2019 census shows individual answers to 380 questions by 104,471 respondents who answered the survey in 2019.

Data set

Questions making up 1 independent variable: Job engagement



Data set

11 independent variables and 1 dependent variable

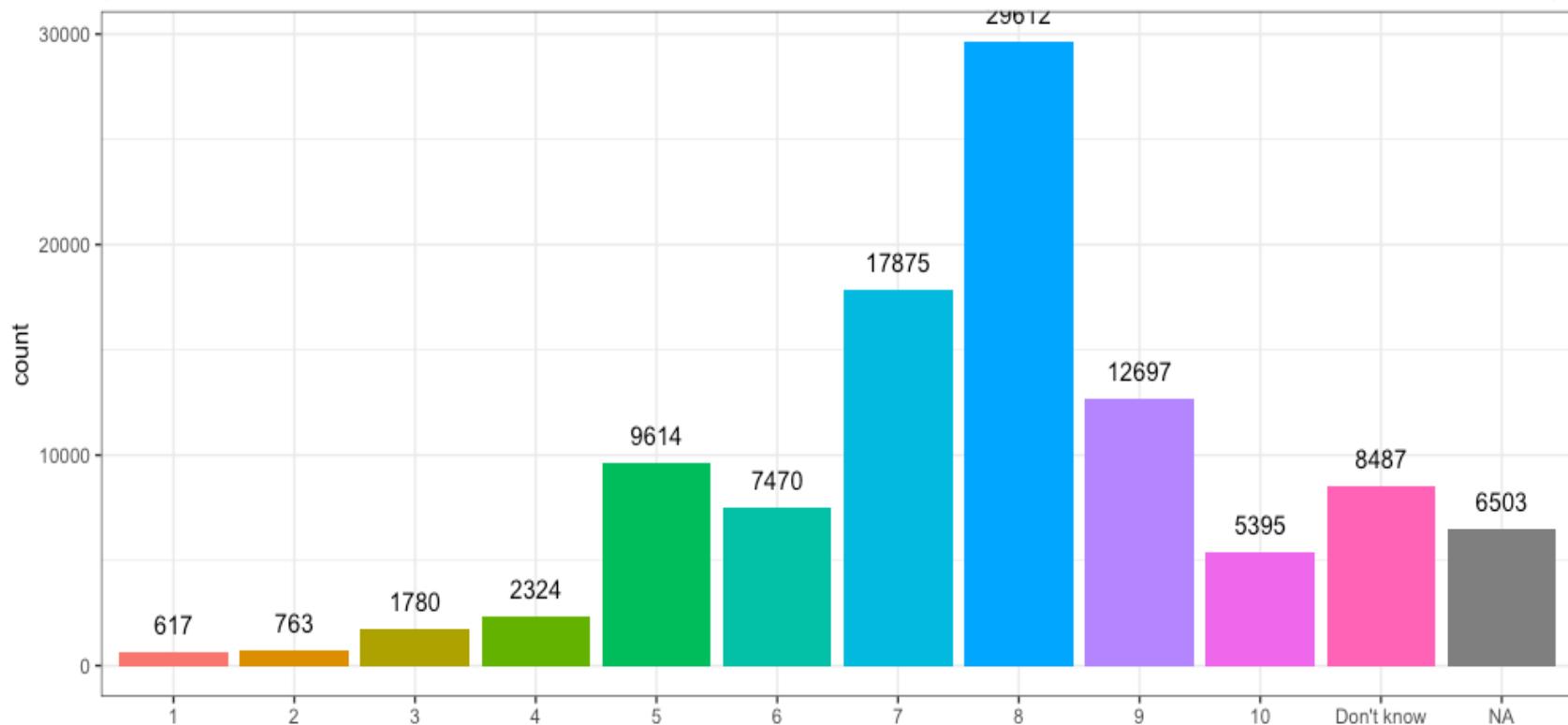
| Category of questions to be included (11 factors under study + dependent var) | # of questions |
|---|----------------|
| 1- job engagement | 10 |
| 2- team engagement | 4 |
| 3- supervisor engagement | 11 |
| 4- senior manager engagement | 12 |
| 5- agency engagement | 17 |
| 6- leadership engagement | 7 |
| 7- wellbeing | 13 |
| 8- team performance support | 4 |
| 9- risk culture | 5 |
| 10- innovation | 5 |
| 11- values | 3 |
| dependent variable (team performance rating assessment) | 1 |
| total number of questions to be included (variables) | 92 |

Data set

The dependent variable

aps_reduced\$team_performance_rating

(1=workgroup's worst performance, 5=average workgroup performance, 10=the best your workgroup has ever worked, NA=Skipped question)



Data set

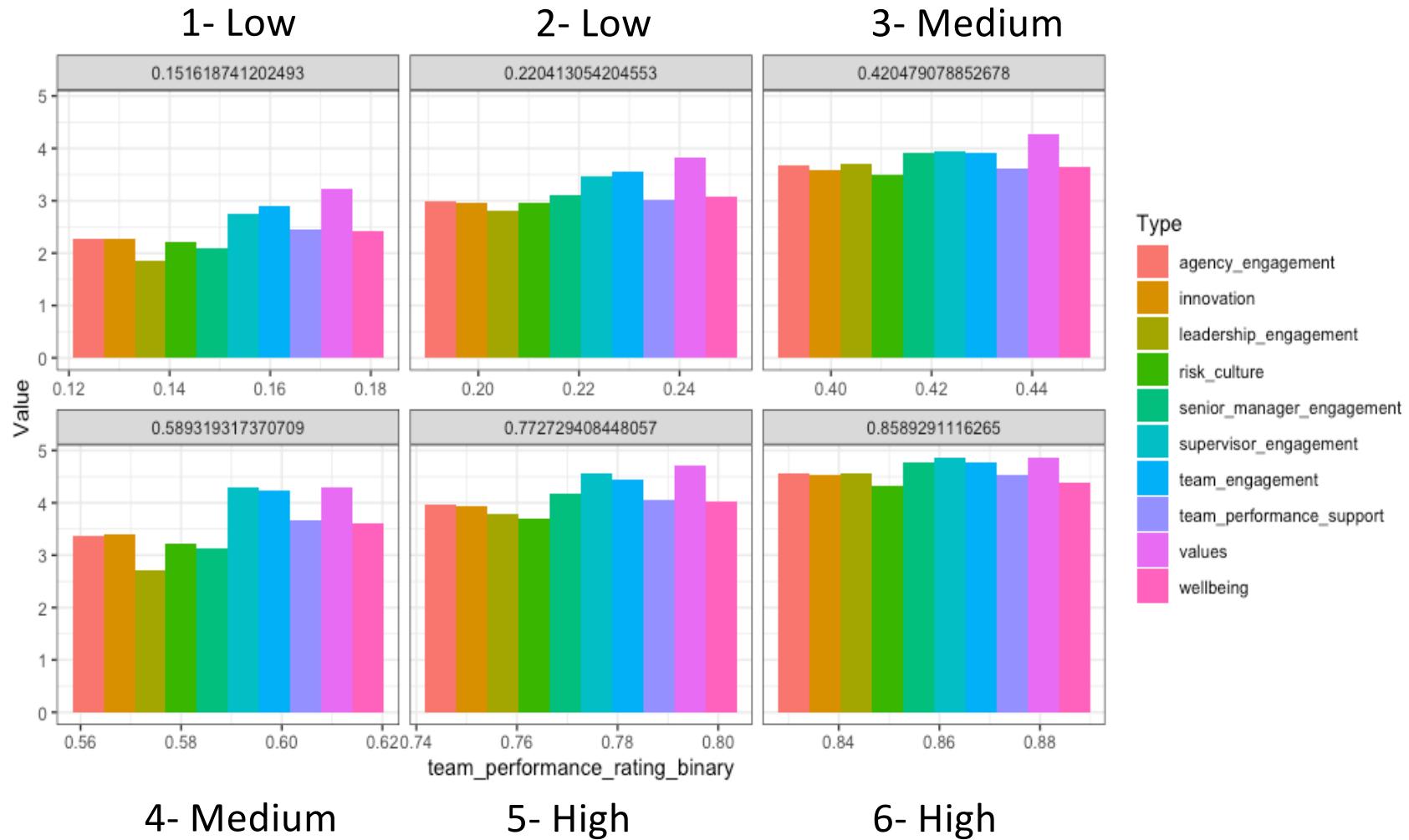
The dependent variable has no strong correlations and the least number of moderate correlations vs. other variables

| | Job eng. | Team eng. | Supervisor eng. | Senior manager eng | agency eng. | Team performance support | Risk culture | innovation | Leadership eng. | wellbeing | values | Team performance rating |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|-----------|--------|-------------------------|
| Job engagement | 1.00 | 0.54 | 0.57 | 0.58 | 0.75 | 0.55 | 0.50 | 0.63 | 0.55 | 0.71 | 0.46 | 0.40 |
| Agency engagement | 0.75 | 0.53 | 0.52 | 0.63 | 1.00 | 0.62 | 0.65 | 0.70 | 0.71 | 0.74 | 0.53 | 0.45 |
| wellbeing | 0.71 | 0.57 | 0.64 | 0.57 | 0.74 | 0.65 | 0.60 | 0.67 | 0.58 | 1.00 | 0.56 | 0.45 |
| innovation | 0.63 | 0.45 | 0.56 | 0.56 | 0.70 | 0.58 | 0.65 | 1.00 | 0.57 | 0.67 | 0.47 | 0.42 |
| Senior manage engagement | 0.58 | 0.44 | 0.49 | 1.00 | 0.63 | 0.48 | 0.50 | 0.56 | 0.71 | 0.57 | 0.48 | 0.36 |
| Supervisor engagement | 0.57 | 0.59 | 1.00 | 0.49 | 0.52 | 0.52 | 0.41 | 0.56 | 0.38 | 0.64 | 0.52 | 0.40 |
| Team performance support | 0.55 | 0.51 | 0.52 | 0.48 | 0.62 | 1.00 | 0.55 | 0.58 | 0.49 | 0.65 | 0.48 | 0.53 |
| Leadership engagement | 0.55 | 0.38 | 0.38 | 0.71 | 0.71 | 0.49 | 0.58 | 0.57 | 1.00 | 0.58 | 0.48 | 0.34 |
| Team engagement | 0.54 | 1.00 | 0.59 | 0.44 | 0.53 | 0.51 | 0.40 | 0.45 | 0.38 | 0.57 | 0.53 | 0.46 |
| Risk culture | 0.50 | 0.40 | 0.41 | 0.50 | 0.65 | 0.55 | 1.00 | 0.65 | 0.58 | 0.60 | 0.45 | 0.38 |
| values | 0.46 | 0.53 | 0.52 | 0.48 | 0.53 | 0.48 | 0.45 | 0.47 | 0.48 | 0.56 | 1.00 | 0.39 |
| Team performance rating | 0.40 | 0.46 | 0.40 | 0.36 | 0.45 | 0.53 | 0.38 | 0.42 | 0.34 | 0.45 | 0.39 | 1.00 |

.40-.59 moderate
.60-.79 strong

Data set K-means cluster analysis

6 Team performance clusters



Data set

20% of participants from the High and Low performing clusters did not answer the dependent variable question in line with their cluster

| cluster # | 1 - Low | 2- Low | 3- Medium | 4- Medium | 5- High | 6- High |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Dependent Variable Mean | 0.15 | 0.22 | 0.42 | 0.59 | 0.77 | 0.85 |
| | | | | | | |
| 0 #observations | 4,219 | 11,060 | 11,274 | 6,329 | 4,837 | 1,399 |
| % of cluster | 85% | 78% | 58% | 41% | 23% | 14% |
| | | | | | | |
| 1 #observations | 754 | 3,127 | 8,180 | 9,082 | 16,446 | 8,518 |
| % of cluster | 15% | 22% | 42% | 59% | 77% | 86% |
| | | | | | | |
| total #observations | 4,973 | 14,187 | 19,454 | 15,411 | 21,283 | 9,917 |
| % total | 6% | 16% | 23% | 18% | 25% | 12% |

Predictive models' Performance Metrics

| | Logistic regression | Decision tree | Ordinal logistic regression | | |
|---|---------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|--------|-------|
| Accuracy | | | Low | Medium | High |
| 2018 training set and 2019 test set | 69.7% | 69.4% | 66.2% | 66.2% | 66.2% |
| 2018 data 70% training - 30% test | 69.7% | 68.9% | 63.9% | 63.9% | 63.9% |
| 2018 data 10-fold cross validation | 69.2% | 68.6% | 63.7% | 63.7% | 63.7% |
| Sensitivity / Recall / true +ve rate | | | | | |
| 2018 training set and 2019 test set | 69.8% | 68.4% | 18.6% | 47.8% | 82.3% |
| 2018 data 70% training - 30% test | 69.5% | 68.6% | 17.8% | 46.6% | 82.0% |
| 2018 data 10-fold cross validation | 69.4% | 68.6% | 17.0% | 46.7% | 81.6% |
| Specificity / true -ve rate | | | | | |
| 2018 training set and 2019 test set | 69.6% | 70.7% | 99.3% | 78.5% | 53.6% |
| 2018 data 70% training - 30% test | 69.9% | 69.1% | 99.3% | 76.8% | 53.5% |
| 2018 data 10-fold cross validation | 68.9% | 68.6% | 99.3% | 76.2% | 53.5% |
| Precision | | | | | |
| 2018 training set and 2019 test set | 75.7% | 76.0% | 59.4% | 56.8% | 70.7% |
| 2018 data 70% training - 30% test | 73.0% | 72.2% | 62.8% | 57.2% | 67.3% |
| 2018 data 10-fold cross validation | 72.5% | 72.0% | 63.4% | 56.3% | 67.4% |
| F1 score | | | | | |
| 2018 training set and 2019 test set | 72.6% | 72.0% | 28.3% | 51.9% | 76.1% |
| 2018 data 70% training - 30% test | 71.2% | 70.4% | 27.7% | 51.4% | 73.9% |
| 2018 data 10-fold cross validation | 70.9% | 70.3% | 26.8% | 51.1% | 73.8% |

Predictive model 1 : Binomial Logistic Regression

5 independent variables are significant predictors of teams' high performance

| Coefficients: | Estimate | Std. Error | z value | Pr(> z) |
|---------------------------|----------|------------|---------|--------------|
| (Intercept) | 7.67605 | 0.07685 | -99.885 | < 2e-16 *** |
| team_performance_support | 0.90322 | 0.01595 | 56.619 | < 2e-16 *** |
| team_engagement | 0.57836 | 0.01622 | 35.652 | < 2e-16 *** |
| values | 0.20671 | 0.01611 | 12.831 | < 2e-16 *** |
| agency_engagement | 0.18524 | 0.02332 | 7.944 | 1.96e-15 *** |
| innovation | 0.16930 | 0.01717 | 9.862 | < 2e-16 *** |
| job_engagement | -0.06464 | 0.02172 | -2.976 | 0.002920 ** |
| supervisor_engagement | 0.04255 | 0.01525 | 2.790 | 0.005272 ** |
| senior_manager_engagement | 0.07220 | 0.01387 | 5.206 | 1.93e-07 *** |
| risk_culture | 0.05582 | 0.01646 | 3.390 | 0.000698 *** |
| leadership_engagement | -0.07569 | 0.01511 | -5.010 | 5.44e-07 *** |
| wellbeing | -0.03461 | 0.02350 | -1.473 | 0.140825 |

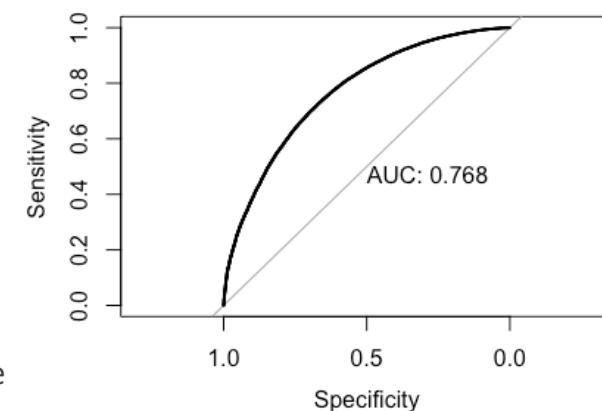
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Null deviance: 117573 on 85224 degrees of freedom

Residual deviance: 97985 on 85213 degrees of freedom

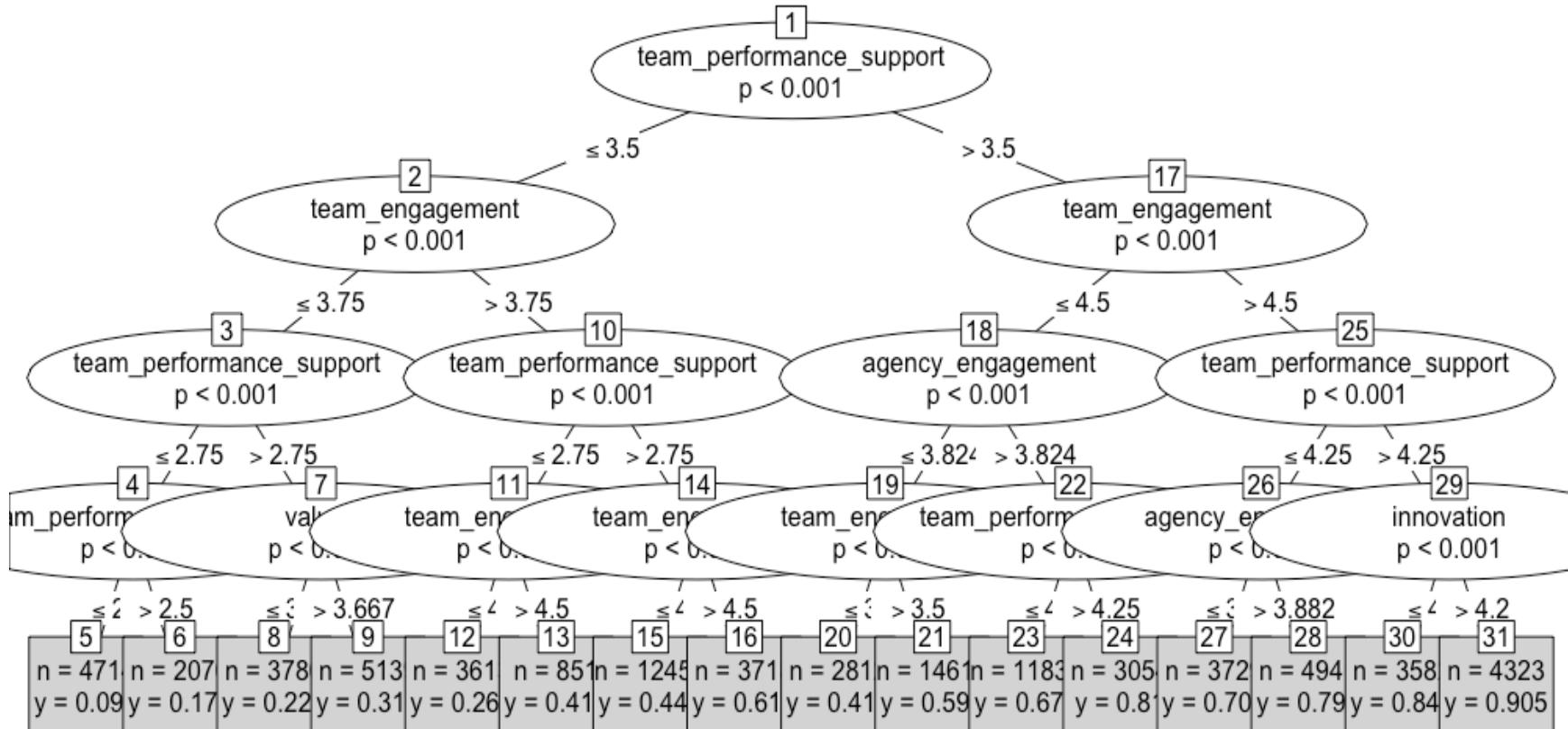
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Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4



Predictive model 2 : Decision Tree

The top predictors are in line with Logistic Regression



Predictive model 3: Ordinal Logistic Regression

The top predictors are in line with Logistic Regression

| | Value | Std. Error | p value |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------------|---------|
| team_performance_support_f2 | 0.839858010 | 0.13140423 | 0.000 |
| team_performance_support_f3 | 1.776660670 | 0.13232253 | 0.000 |
| team_performance_support_f4 | 2.505495553 | 0.13275177 | 0.000 |
| team_performance_support_f5 | 3.149926054 | 0.13757789 | 0.000 |
| team_engagement_f3 | 0.623653342 | 0.13763417 | 0.000 |
| team_engagement_f4 | 1.215077198 | 0.13722008 | 0.000 |
| team_engagement_f5 | 1.774232920 | 0.13837937 | 0.000 |
| values_f4 | 1.145285128 | 0.28748704 | 0.003 |
| values_f5 | 1.334526559 | 0.28785668 | 0.000 |
| agency_engagement_f4 | 0.382823379 | 0.12008885 | 0.002 |
| agency_engagement_f5 | 0.603785250 | 0.12725730 | 0.000 |
| innovation_f4 | 0.459841664 | 0.09503297 | 0.000 |
| innovation_f5 | 0.538268330 | 0.10113800 | 0.000 |
| risk_culture_f4 | 0.277387240 | 0.07329326 | 0.000 |
| risk_culture_f5 | 0.397013802 | 0.08725755 | 0.000 |
| wellbeing_f5 | 0.367403603 | 0.18221050 | 0.006 |

Conclusion

what have I learnt and what do I hope for?

We can accurately predict teams' high performance year over year with the following as the most significant predictors:

1. Team performance support (availability of tools, resources, skills, knowledge, work processes and high team standards)
 2. Team engagement (team refers to people that the participant works with on daily basis)
 3. Agency engagement (agency refers to the immediate organization the participant belongs to)
 4. Values (team, supervisor and senior management acting in accordance to organizational values)
 5. Innovation (support + recognition for innovation and new ways of working and acceptance that failure is part of innovation)
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- Organizations can benefit immediately and achieve higher team performance by focussing on the top 5 predictors.
 - Medium and large organizations, with the scale and needed resources, would benefit immensely from building their own high-performance teams predictive models using a combination of survey data and linking it to actual team performance data.