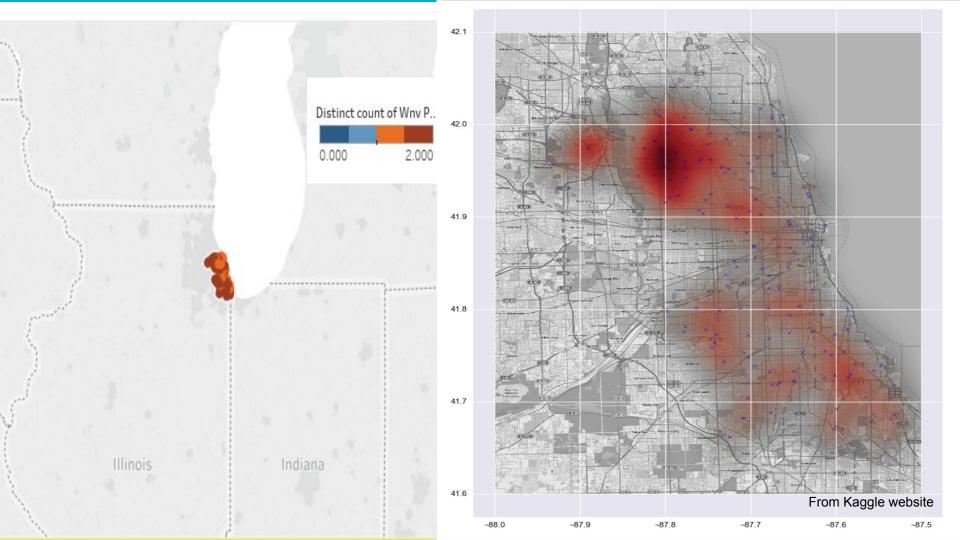
West Nile Virus-Chicago 2007-2014

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Background

- Aim of project:
 - Create a model to reliably predict the occurrence of West Nile Virus (WNV) in Chicago
- Data:
 - Weather conditions
 - Mosquito trap contents
 - Spray data
- Limitations:
 - The competition does not permit use of outside data
 - We only considered an aggregate of previous month of weather conditions
 - Data about use of insecticide spray was omitted for test set



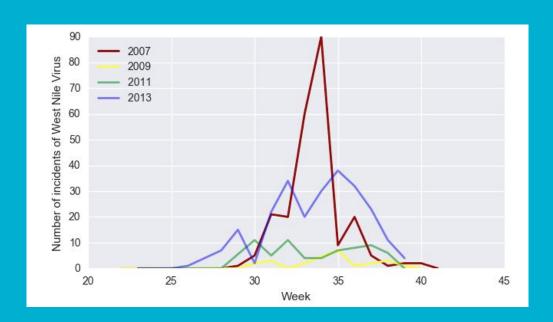
Structure of presentation

- Description of the dataset/EDA
- Models / Features used
- Results/Recommendations

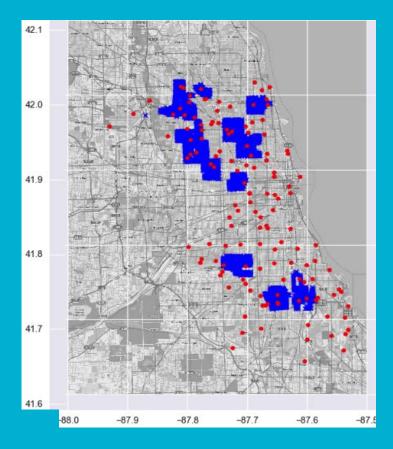
Train Dataset

	Date	Trap	Species	Latitude	Longitude	NumMosquitos	WnvPresent
0	2007-05-29	T002	CULEX PIPIENS/RESTUANS	41.954690	-87.800991	1	0
1	2007-05-29	T002	CULEX RESTUANS	41.954690	-87.800991	1	0
2	2007-05-29	T007	CULEX RESTUANS	41.994991	-87.769279	1	0
3	2007-05-29	T015	CULEX PIPIENS/RESTUANS	41.974089	-87.824812	1	0
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Traps

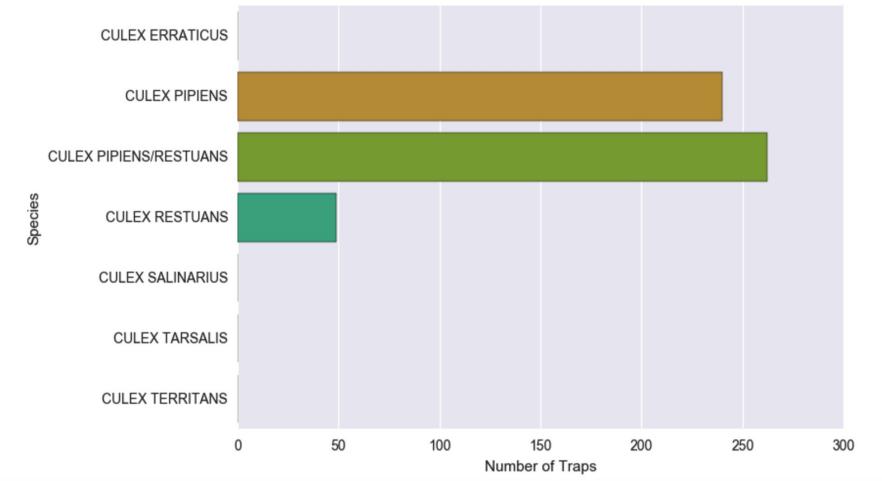


Total number of traps with West Nile Virus



Sprayed Areas in 2011 and 2013

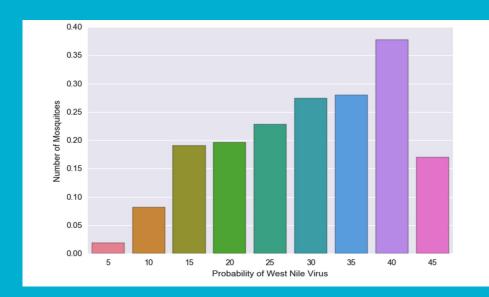
Species caught by Traps

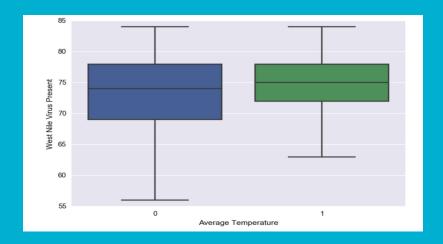


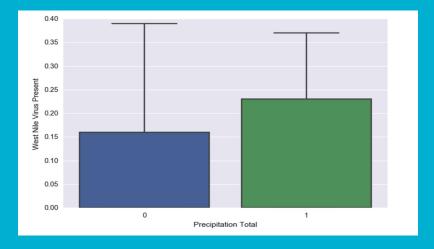
Culex Pipiens



Feature Engineering





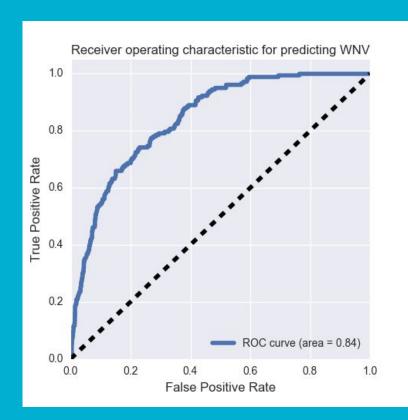


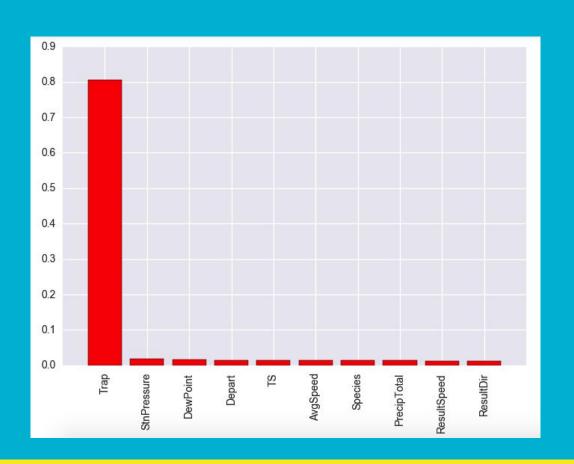
Features

- Trap information:
 - Locations
 - Number of mosquitos and species counts
 - \sim Training n=10,000 (500 observations positive for WNV)
 - Chronological information
- Weather:
 - features aggregated over 30 days previous to observation
 - Dew point
 - Max/Min Temps
 - Avg Temps
 - Weather condition codes
 - etc.

Models:

- KNN
- SVM
- Ada Boosting
- Logistic Regression
- Random Forest
- Gradient Boosting Classification
 - -*AUC 0.77376 for test set*
 - -#324 on Kaggle





Recommendations

- Individual trap locations are most predictive of WNV occurrence
 - Weather conditions are also important features
- Although we focused on the previous 30 days before measurements, further research needed to identify the most predictive timeframe
- Total hatch size (as measured by trap counts) highly correlates with WNV detection; however, we failed to include this feature

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