Multivariate analysis of the diabetes dataset

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Dataset

We will study the dataset diabetes obtained from kaggles

The dataset contains 768 rows and 9 columns.

Each row corresponds to an unique patient record.

We will be using the R programming language.

Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA) and data preparation

- All variables are integers except for "BMI" and "DiabetesPedigreeFunction"
- "SkinThickness" is well correlated with "BMI" and "Insulin", "Age" is well correlated with "Pregnancies".
- "Glucose" is reasonably correlated with "insulin", "BMI" and "Age".
- The dataset will be split into 2, with the response variable being "outcome" and all other variables being predictor variables.
- ▶ 75 percent of the data will be used for training, and the rest will be used for testing.

Methodologies - Supervised learning analysis

- We used the methods: k-nearest neighbours ,random forest classfiers and boosting for our supervised learning analysis.
- K-nearest neighbours is a non-parametric, supervised learning classifiers that uses proximity to make classifications about the grouping of a dataset.
- RandomForest classifiers is a bootstrapping sampling method that combines the results of multiple decision trees to draw on a conclusion.
- Boosting is similar to random forest, however it is not a bootstrapping sampling method. Boosting also uses the entire dataset, or some subsample thereof, to generate the ensemble.

Methodologies - Logistic regression

- We will perform a binary logistic regression since our response variable "outcome" is binary.
- ▶ The initial model incorporates all eight predictor variables.
- ► The objective of this technique is to identify the most significant predictor using backwards elimination.
- We want the final model to have only the most significant variables.

Discussions - Logistic regression

- Table 1 suggests that we should remove variables "SkinThickness" and "insulin" from the model, since their p-values were greater than 0.05.
- ► Table 2 implies that we have sufficient evidence to suggest that "Pregnancies", "Glucose", "Blood Pressure", "BMI", "DiabetesPedigreeFunction" and "Age" have a significant influence over "outcome".
- We obtain that the MCR for binary logistic regression is 0.23958.

Discussions - Logistic regression

Coefficients	Estimate	Std. Error	Z-Value	Pr(> Z)
(Intercept)	-0.863576	0.111504	-7.745	9.57E-15
Pregnancies	0.411598	0.128257	3.209	1.33E-03
Glucose	1.003291	0.133428	7.519	5.51E-14
BloodPressure	-0.15522	0.122145	-1.271	0.2038
SkinThickness	-0.008376	0.123519	-0.068	0.94594
Insulin	-0.160385	0.120504	-1.331	1.83E-01
BMI	0.699525	0.135793	5.151	2.59E-07
DiabetesPedigreeFunction	0.295516	0.114215	2.587	0.00967
Age	0.212147	0.127142	1.669	0.0952

Table: Binary Logistic Regression Full Model Output

Coefficients:	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)	Odds Ratio
(Intercept)	-8.118918	0.730397	-11.116	<2e-16	_
Pregnancies	0.154186	0.032151	4.796	1.62E-06	1.167
Glucose	0.030679	0.003781	8.113	4.92e-16	1.031
BMI	0.080086	0.016048	4.990	6.03e-07	1.083
DiabetesPedigreeFunction	0.863621	0.336274	2.568	0.0102	2.372

Table: Binary Logistic Regression Reduced Model Output with Odds Ratio



Discussions - k-nearest neighbours

- ► 5-fold cross validation suggests that the best value for k is 3.
- Executing the knn() function with k = 3, we obtain that the MCR of the k-nearest neighbours is 0.2916667

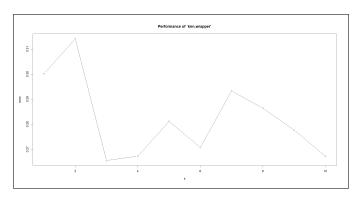


Figure: Output Plot From k-NN Classification

Discussions - Random forests

- 5-fold cross validation suggests that the best value for mtry is 4 and the best value for ntree is 200.
- Executing the RandomForest() function with mtry = 4 and ntree = 200, we obtain that the MCR of the RandomForest is 0.28125.
- We observe that Glucose and BMI are the two most important variables.

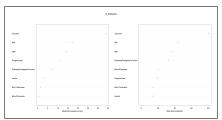


Figure: MeanDecreaseAccuracy & MeanDecreaseGini Plot from Random Forest

Discussions - Boosting

- Boosting achieved an accuracy of 73.44 percent (a MCR of 0.2656), with an AUC of 0.802.
- Boosting proved to be an effective method for diabetes classification through achieving an AUC of 0.802 and identifying Glucose, BMI, and Age as the most critical predictors.

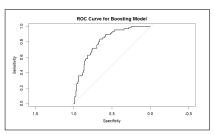


Figure: ROC Curve for Boosting Model

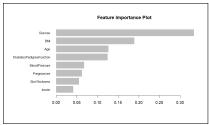


Figure: Age Feature importance plot

Conclusion

- We effectively showcased the performance accuracy of the k-Nearest Neighbours algorithm, Binary Logistic Regression al- gorithm, and the ensemble methods: Random Forest and Boosting.
- The conclusions determined by each of the various methods align with the general scientific consensus on predictors for diabetes.