# Overwatch League Exploratory Analysis

## Mark Davison

```
library(tidyr)
library(dplyr)
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
library(pander)
library(car)
## Loading required package: carData
##
## Attaching package: 'car'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       recode
library(cowplot)
library(pROC)
## Type 'citation("pROC")' for a citation.
##
## Attaching package: 'pROC'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       cov, smooth, var
```

## library(MASS)

```
##
## Attaching package: 'MASS'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
## select
library(ggplot2)
```

The purpose of this project is exploratory analysis of the Overwatch League. My aim is to find which variables are significant predictors of winning matches. This study with inform the variables I use building the final model of predicting the outcome of Overwatch League matches in another project.

## Necessary Domain Knowledge:

The Overwatch league is an international Esports league ran and owned by Blizzard. The league is comprised of 19 city-based teams. The matches are formatted in best of 5 games. With each game being played on a unique map. The maps range from 1 to 4 rounds. In this project, I am only interested in the winners of maps and matches, not rounds.

Each team consists of 5 players, each having unique roles. A tank, two damage dealing players, and two healing/support players.

#### Data

I will be using two sets of data. "phs-2023/2022" and "watch\_map\_stats". The "phs" dataset are player statistics, while "watch\_map\_stats" are the map statistics. The payer statistics include the predictor variables of the players performance, while the map statistics include the response variable (what I aim on predicting) the outcome of each match. The data is all sourced from the Overwatch League statistics page.

(Note, I am only using 2022 and 2023, as overwatch 2 was released in 2022, which came with significant balance changes, most notably changing the number of players in each team from 6 to 5, rendering all data pre 2022 useless here).

##Abstract The exploratory analysis found that variables 'Deaths,' 'Defensive\_Assists,' 'Eliminations,' 'Hero\_Damage\_Done,' 'Objective\_Time,' 'Recon\_Assists,' 'Time\_Alive', were the most significant of the predictors in the dataset at predicting the outcome of matches. This will be used to inform the building of another model that uses these variables in the context of a team vs team model, rather than player vs player.

I ran into some issues with multi-collinearity, as many variables record very similar things, primarily time based. After removing said variables, the predictive power of the model decreased very marginally, but the complexity was reduced significantly. My future study of this subject will be focused on the effect of these variables when modelled as a team.

```
#loading player data and merging years
owlplayer2023 <- read.csv("phs-2023.csv")
owlplayer2022 <- read.csv("phs-2022.csv")
owlplayermerge <- rbind(owlplayer2023, owlplayer2022)</pre>
```

```
#Loading map data
owlmap <- read.csv("match_map_stats_00000000000.csv")</pre>
```

#### owlplayermerge[290:300,]

```
##
                    start_time esports_match_id tournament_title map_type map_name
## 290 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                           41215
                                                           Pro-Am
                                                                               Nepal
                                                                    control
## 291 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                                           Pro-Am
                                           41215
                                                                               Nepal
                                                                    control
## 292 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                           41215
                                                            Pro-Am
                                                                    control
                                                                               Nepal
## 293 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                           41215
                                                            Pro-Am
                                                                               Nepal
                                                                    control
## 294 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                                                               Nepal
                                           41215
                                                            Pro-Am
                                                                    control
## 295 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                                                    control
                                                                               Nepal
                                           41215
                                                           Pro-Am
## 296 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                                           Pro-Am
                                                                               Nepal
                                           41215
                                                                    control
## 297 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                                                               Nepal
                                           41215
                                                           Pro-Am
                                                                    control
## 298 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                           41215
                                                            Pro-Am
                                                                    control
                                                                               Nepal
## 299 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                           41215
                                                                               Nepal
                                                            Pro-Am
                                                                    control
  300 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                           41215
                                                           Pro-Am
                                                                    control
                                                                               Nepal
##
       player_name
                        team_name
                                               stat_name hero_name
## 290
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                         All Damage Done All Heroes 14806.654358
## 291
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                                 Assists All Heroes
                                                                        10.000000
## 292
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                      Average Time Alive All Heroes
                                                                        63.224814
## 293
                                     Barrier Damage Done All Heroes
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                                                     1670.999992
## 294
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                             Damage Done All Heroes 13022.254560
## 295
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                            Damage Taken All Heroes
                                                                      6763.294514
## 296
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                                  Deaths All Heroes
                                                                         6.000000
## 297
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                            Eliminations All Heroes
                                                                        17.000000
## 298
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                             Final Blows All Heroes
                                                                         7.000000
## 299
             MER1T Florida Mayhem Games Played Plus Won All Heroes
                                                                         2.000001
## 300
             MER1T Florida Mayhem
                                               Games Won All Heroes
                                                                         1.000001
```

Looking at the player data, there are some glaring issues that need to be solved to make this data model ready. Specifically:

- The dataframe is currently in long format, meaning the variables we are interested in stat\_name are in rows, while they need to be in columns. Also note that there are statistics recorded for each individual character played. We will not be used individual character statistics, as it introduces complexity that is not likely to be significant, and it introduces more issues such as many character not being played often etc. I am therefore going to limit the statistics to all heroes only.

```
#filtering out characters statistics, as I am only interested in 'all heroes' statistics
owlplayer1 <- owlplayermerge[owlplayermerge$hero_name == "All Heroes",]</pre>
```

```
#pivoting the dataframe from long to wide format
owlpivot <- pivot_wider(owlplayer1, names_from=stat_name, values_from=amount)
owlpivot[20:30]</pre>
```

```
## # A tibble: 14,640 x 11
##
      Eliminations 'Final Blows'
                                 'Games Played Plus Won' 'Games Won'
                                                                     'Healing Done'
                                                         t>
##
      st>
                   t>
                                 t>
                                                                     t>
##
   1 <dbl [1]>
                   <dbl [1]>
                                 <dbl [1]>
                                                         <dbl [2]>
                                                                     <dbl [1]>
##
   2 <dbl [1]>
                   <dbl [1]>
                                 <dbl [1]>
                                                         <dbl [2]>
                                                                     <NULL>
                   <dbl [1]>
                                 <dbl [1]>
                                                         <dbl [2]>
                                                                     <NULL>
   3 <dbl [1]>
                                 <dbl [1]>
                                                         <dbl [2]>
##
   4 <dbl [1]>
                   <dbl [1]>
                                                                     <dbl [1]>
```

```
##
    5 <dbl [1]>
                    <dbl [1]>
                                  <dbl [1]>
                                                            <dbl [2]>
                                                                        <NULL>
                    <dbl [1]>
    6 <dbl [1]>
                                  <dbl [1]>
                                                            <NULL>
##
                                                                        <dbl [1]>
                    <dbl [1]>
                                                            <NULL>
                                                                        <dbl [1]>
    7 <dbl [1]>
                                  <dbl [1]>
    8 <dbl [1]>
                    <dbl [1]>
                                  <dbl [1]>
                                                            <NULL>
                                                                        <dbl [1]>
##
##
    9 <dbl [1]>
                    <dbl [1]>
                                  <dbl [1]>
                                                            <NULL>
                                                                        <NULL>
                                  <dbl [1]>
                                                            <NULL>
                                                                        <dbl [1]>
## 10 <dbl [1]>
                    <dbl [1]>
## # i 14,630 more rows
## # i 6 more variables: 'Hero Damage Done' <list>, 'Hero Wins' <list>,
## #
       'Knockback Kills' <list>, 'Objective Contest Time' <list>,
## #
       'Objective Contest Time - Avg per 10 Min' <list>,
## #
       'Objective Contest Time - Most in Game' <list>
```

This has successfully pivoted the dataframe, however many observations have recorded multiple values for each player for one map, and caused the columns to be formatted as lists.

The 'Assist' column is the only variable that is required that has these multiple recorded values. We will select the first assist recorded for the variable:

#### owlpivot\$Assists[10:20]

```
## [[1]]
## [1] 11 12
##
## [[2]]
## [1] 16 11
## [[3]]
## [1] 17
##
## [[4]]
## [1] 5
## [[5]]
## [1] 8 19
##
## [[6]]
## [1] 3 10
##
## [[7]]
## [1] 19 7
## [[8]]
## [1] 11
##
## [[9]]
## [1] 15 7
## [[10]]
## [1] 9 3
##
## [[11]]
## [1] 18 11
```

As shown in this output, some observations have two values, while some only have one.

```
#Loop that makes the list equal to the first value in the list.
for(i in 1:nrow(owlpivot)){
  if(length(owlpivot$Assists[[i]])>1){
   owlpivot$Assists[[i]] <- owlpivot$Assists[[i]][1]
  }
}</pre>
```

## owlpivot\$Assists[10:20]

```
## [[1]]
## [1] 11
##
## [[2]]
## [1] 16
## [[3]]
## [1] 17
##
## [[4]]
## [1] 5
##
## [[5]]
## [1] 8
##
## [[6]]
## [1] 3
##
## [[7]]
## [1] 19
##
## [[8]]
## [1] 11
##
## [[9]]
## [1] 15
##
## [[10]]
## [1] 9
## [[11]]
## [1] 18
```

• There are a number of redundant variables that need to be removed: ("Damage\_Done" and "Hero\_Damage\_Done" are the exact same, damage\_done will be removed. The same for "Objective\_Contest\_Time\_Most\_in\_Game" and "Objective\_Contest\_Time")

```
owlpivot[,c("Hero Wins", "Games Played Plus Won", "Games Won", "Assists - Most in Game", "Assists - Av
head(owlpivot)
```

```
control Nepal
## 1 2023-03-23 20~
                             41215 Pro-Am
                                                                       CHORONG
## 2 2023-03-23 20~
                              41215 Pro-Am
                                                    control Nepal
                                                                       Checkmate
                                                    control Nepal
## 3 2023-03-23 20~
                              41215 Pro-Am
                                                                       MER1T
## 4 2023-03-23 20~
                              41215 Pro-Am
                                                     control Nepal
                                                                       Rupal
## 5 2023-03-23 20~
                              41215 Pro-Am
                                                     control Nepal
                                                                       Someone
## 6 2023-03-23 20~
                              41215 Pro-Am
                                                                       FiNN
                                                     control Nepal
## # i 40 more variables: team_name <chr>, 'All Damage Done' <list>,
       Assists <list>, 'Average Time Alive' <list>, 'Barrier Damage Done' <list>,
## #
       'Damage - Quick Melee' <list>, 'Damage Done' <list>, 'Damage Taken' <list>,
       Deaths <list>, 'Defensive Assists' <list>, Eliminations <list>,
## #
      'Final Blows' <list>, 'Healing Done' <list>, 'Hero Damage Done' <list>,
       'Knockback Kills' <list>, 'Objective Contest Time' <list>,
## #
       'Objective Contest Time - Avg per 10 Min' <list>, ...
## #
```

• The nested list columns need to be un-nested, and the NULL values need to be replaced with 0s

```
owlplayer <- owlpivot %>%
 unnest(everything()) %>%
  mutate_all(~replace_na(., 0))
#Also renaming the 'esports_match_id' variable to 'match_id' for simplicity
names(owlplayer)[2] <- "match_id"</pre>
head(owlplayer)
## # A tibble: 6 x 46
##
    start_time match_id tournament_title map_type map_name player_name team_name
##
    <chr>>
                   <int> <chr>
                                  <chr>
                                                   <chr>
                                                           <chr>
                                                                       <chr>>
                                                            CHORONG
                                                                       Florida ~
## 1 2023-03-23 ~
                    41215 Pro-Am
                                        control Nepal
                                         control Nepal Checkmate Florida ~
## 2 2023-03-23 ~
                  41215 Pro-Am
## 3 2023-03-23 ~
                    41215 Pro-Am
                                         control Nepal
                                                           MER1T
                                                                       Florida ~
## 4 2023-03-23 ~
                    41215 Pro-Am
                                          control Nepal
                                                            Rupal
                                                                       Florida ~
## 5 2023-03-23 ~
                    41215 Pro-Am
                                          control Nepal
                                                            Someone
                                                                       Florida ~
                                                                       San Fran~
## 6 2023-03-23 ~
                    41215 Pro-Am
                                          control Nepal
                                                            FiNN
```

'Average Time Alive' <dbl>, 'Barrier Damage Done' <dbl>, ## # 'Damage - Quick Melee' <dbl>, 'Damage Done' <dbl>, 'Damage Taken' <dbl>, Deaths <dbl>, 'Defensive Assists' <dbl>, Eliminations <dbl>, ## #

'Final Blows' <dbl>, 'Healing Done' <dbl>, 'Hero Damage Done' <dbl>,

'Knockback Kills' <dbl>, 'Objective Contest Time' <dbl>, ## #

## # i 39 more variables: 'All Damage Done' <dbl>, Assists <dbl>,

## # 'Objective Contest Time - Avg per 10 Min' <dbl>, ...

The owlfinal dataframe (which contains data of player statistics for each map) needs to be combined with the map dataframe (which contains data of each map played, including the winning team(our response variable)).

First, I need to clean the map dataset:

## #

- There are variables in this dataset that I am not interested in

```
owlmap <- owlmap[,names(owlmap)[1:17]]</pre>
head(owlmap)
```

```
round_start_time round_end_time
                                                       stage match_id game_number
##
## 1 6/04/2023 21:03 6/04/2023 21:06 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                41901
## 2 6/04/2023 21:07 6/04/2023 21:13 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                41901
                                                                                1
```

```
## 3 6/04/2023 21:21 6/04/2023 21:27 2023: Spring Knockouts
## 4 6/04/2023 21:29 6/04/2023 21:32 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                                 2
                                                                 41901
## 5 6/04/2023 21:39 6/04/2023 21:48 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                 41901
                                                                                 3
                                                                                 3
## 6 6/04/2023 21:49 6/04/2023 21:54 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                 41901
       match_winner
                                map_winner
                                                         map_loser
## 1 Florida Mayhem
                            Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 2 Florida Mayhem
                            Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
                            Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 3 Florida Mayhem
## 4 Florida Mayhem
                            Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 5 Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
                                                   Florida Mayhem
## 6 Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
                                                   Florida Mayhem
##
               map_name map_round winning_team_final_map_score
## 1
                  Oasis
                                1
## 2
                                                              2
                                2
                  Oasis
## 3
         Blizzard World
                                                              2
                                1
                                                              2
## 4
         Blizzard World
                                2
                                                              2
## 5 Shambali Monastery
                                1
## 6 Shambali Monastery
                                2
##
     losing_team_final_map_score control_round_name
                                                                   Attacker
## 1
                               2
                                            Gardens
                                                             Florida Mayhem
## 2
                               2
                                        City Center
                                                             Florida Mayhem
## 3
                               2
                                                     Los Angeles Gladiators
## 4
                               2
                                                             Florida Mayhem
## 5
                               0
                                                     Los Angeles Gladiators
## 6
                               0
                                                             Florida Mayhem
                   Defender team_one_name
                                                     team_two_name
## 1 Los Angeles Gladiators Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 2 Los Angeles Gladiators Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
             Florida Mayhem Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 4 Los Angeles Gladiators Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
             Florida Mayhem Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 6 Los Angeles Gladiators Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
```

The map dataframe now contains information for each round, for each map in each match.

However we do not want observations for each round for each map, I am interested in the outcomes of each map, not each round. Meaning I need to group the round observations by map.

```
#This creates a dataframe of the maximum round of each map for each map
owl_max_round<- owlmap %>%
    group_by(match_id, map_name) %>%
    summarize(
        max_map_round = max(map_round)
)

## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'match_id'. You can override using the
## '.groups' argument.

#This will then be used to inner join with the original map dataframe, resulting in only the last round
names(owl_max_round)[3] <- "map_round"
owlmap <- inner_join(owlmap, owl_max_round, names(owl_max_round))</pre>
```

# round\_start\_time round\_end\_time

head(owlmap)

stage match\_id game\_number

```
## 1 6/04/2023 21:07 6/04/2023 21:13 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                 41901
                                                                                  1
## 2 6/04/2023 21:29 6/04/2023 21:32 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                 41901
                                                                                  2
## 3 6/04/2023 21:49 6/04/2023 21:54 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                 41901
                                                                                  3
## 4 6/04/2023 22:02 6/04/2023 22:12 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                                  4
                                                                 41901
     6/04/2023 22:24 6/04/2023 22:30 2023: Spring Knockouts
                                                                 41901
                                                                                  5
## 6
     4/09/2023 21:30 4/09/2023 21:34
                                                 2023: Pro-Am
                                                                 41351
                                                                                  1
               match winner
##
                                        map_winner
                                                                 map loser
## 1
             Florida Mayhem
                                    Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 2
             Florida Mayhem
                                    Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 3
             Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
                                                            Florida Mayhem
## 4
             Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
                                                            Florida Mayhem
             Florida Mayhem
                                    Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 5
## 6 Los Angeles Gladiators Los Angeles Gladiators
                                                           Houston Outlaws
                map_name map_round winning_team_final_map_score
##
## 1
                   Oasis
                                  2
                                                               2
                                  2
                                                               2
## 2
          Blizzard World
## 3
                                 2
                                                               2
     Shambali Monastery
              EsperanÃSa
                                 1
                                                               1
## 5 Antarctic Peninsula
                                 2
                                                               2
                                 3
                                                               2
## 6
                   Ilios
##
     losing_team_final_map_score control_round_name
                                                                   Attacker
## 1
                               2
                                                             Florida Mayhem
                                        City Center
## 2
                               2
                                                             Florida Mayhem
## 3
                               0
                                                             Florida Mayhem
## 4
                               0
                                                     Los Angeles Gladiators
## 5
                               2
                                                Labs
                                                             Florida Mayhem
## 6
                               2
                                               Ruins Los Angeles Gladiators
                   Defender
                                     team_one_name
                                                             team_two_name
                                    Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 1 Los Angeles Gladiators
## 2 Los Angeles Gladiators
                                    Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 3 Los Angeles Gladiators
                                    Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 4
             Florida Mayhem
                                    Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
## 5 Los Angeles Gladiators
                                    Florida Mayhem Los Angeles Gladiators
                                                           Houston Outlaws
            Houston Outlaws Los Angeles Gladiators
```

Now the two dataframes need to be joined.

#Loading packages and creating database connection

```
library(DBI)
library(RSQLite)
conn <- dbConnect(SQLite(), "new_db.sqlite")

#Writing dataframes into tables in the database
write.table(owlplayer, file="owlplayer.csv", sep=",", row.names=FALSE, col.names=TRUE)
write.table(owlmap, file="owlmap.csv", sep=",", row.names=FALSE, col.names=TRUE)

dbWriteTable(conn, "Players", owlplayer, overwrite=TRUE)
dbWriteTable(conn, "Maps", owlmap, overwrite=TRUE)</pre>
```

```
start_time match_id tournament_title map_type map_name
##
## 1 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                 41215
                                                  Pro-Am
                                                           control
                                                                       Nepal
## 2 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                 41215
                                                   Pro-Am
                                                           control
                                                                       Nepal
## 3 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                 41215
                                                   Pro-Am
                                                                       Nepal
                                                           control
## 4 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                 41215
                                                   Pro-Am
                                                           control
                                                                       Nepal
## 5 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                 41215
                                                   Pro-Am
                                                           control
                                                                       Nepal
## 6 2023-03-23 20:11:00 UTC
                                 41215
                                                   Pro-Am control
                                                                       Nepal
##
     player_name
                            team_name All Damage Done Assists Average Time Alive
                                              4618.946
         CHORONG
## 1
                       Florida Mayhem
                                                             23
                                                                           82,42819
## 2
       Checkmate
                       Florida Mayhem
                                             12551.992
                                                             11
                                                                          189.47101
## 3
           MER1T
                       Florida Mayhem
                                             14806.654
                                                             10
                                                                           63.22481
## 4
           Rupal
                       Florida Mayhem
                                              4176.770
                                                             18
                                                                          117.82980
## 5
         Someone
                       Florida Mayhem
                                             12399.901
                                                              7
                                                                          162.30850
            FiNN San Francisco Shock
                                              6569.945
## 6
                                                             15
                                                                           72.48205
##
     Barrier Damage Done Damage - Quick Melee Damage Done Damage Taken Deaths
## 1
                 565.000
                                        30.0000
                                                   3983.946
                                                                 4547.275
## 2
                 1050.500
                                       172.2399
                                                   11449.787
                                                                 4733.221
                                                                                3
## 3
                 1671.000
                                         0.0000
                                                   13022.255
                                                                 6763.295
                                                                                6
## 4
                 1135.000
                                         0.0000
                                                                 4440.840
                                                                                2
                                                   3001.770
## 5
                 1316.160
                                       372.1397
                                                   10736.507
                                                                13262.493
                                                                                3
                                                                                7
## 6
                 2255.374
                                         0.0000
                                                    4314.571
                                                                 4122.527
     Defensive Assists Eliminations Final Blows Healing Done Hero Damage Done
## 1
                                                2
                                                       8377.252
                                                                         3983.946
                     21
                                   12
## 2
                                               10
                                                          0.000
                                                                        11449.787
                      0
                                   21
## 3
                      0
                                                7
                                   17
                                                          0.000
                                                                        13022.255
## 4
                     20
                                   7
                                                3
                                                      13784.699
                                                                         3001.770
## 5
                                   27
                      0
                                               10
                                                          0.000
                                                                        10736.507
## 6
                     15
                                   10
                                                2
                                                      11525.995
                                                                         4314.571
##
     Knockback Kills Objective Contest Time
## 1
                    3
                                       49.385
## 2
                    0
                                       46.543
## 3
                    0
                                       21.175
## 4
                    0
                                       40.754
## 5
                    1
                                       61.859
## 6
                    0
                                       42.784
     Objective Contest Time - Avg per 10 Min Objective Contest Time - Most in Game
## 1
                                    0.06274022
                                                                                49.385
## 2
                                    0.05912966
                                                                                46.543
## 3
                                    0.02690137
                                                                                21.175
## 4
                                    0.05177514
                                                                                40.754
## 5
                                    0.07858758
                                                                                61.859
## 6
                                    0.05435411
                                                                                42.784
     Objective Kills Objective Time Offensive Assists Shots Fired Time Alive
## 1
                    5
                              63.728
                                                      14
                                                                 931
                                                                         697.257
## 2
                    8
                                                       0
                                                                6350
                              68.992
                                                                         761.168
## 3
                    3
                              29.407
                                                       0
                                                                 602
                                                                         721.321
                    2
## 4
                              58.247
                                                       5
                                                                 387
                                                                         764.323
## 5
                   10
                              76.503
                                                       1
                                                                 191
                                                                         754.305
                                                                         717.338
## 6
                    5
                              67.067
                                                       2
                                                                 556
     Time Building Ultimate Time Elapsed per Ultimate Earned Time Holding Ultimate
```

```
697.081
                                                      135.65918
## 1
                                                                                58.820
## 2
                     458,114
                                                       84.59154
                                                                               328.152
## 3
                     614.430
                                                       99.09087
                                                                               151.438
## 4
                     704.980
                                                      103.16755
                                                                                41.097
## 5
                     670.750
                                                      127.25773
                                                                                88.374
## 6
                     595.631
                                                       99.59567
                                                                               153.659
     Time Played Ultimates Earned - Fractional Ultimates Used Weapon Accuracy
        787.1346
## 1
                                        5.138473
                                                               4
                                                                        0.1504113
## 2
        787.1346
                                        5.415601
                                                               5
                                                                        0.3562128
                                        6.200672
## 3
        787.1346
                                                               5
                                                                        0.3920553
## 4
        787.1346
                                        6.833350
                                                               4
                                                                        0.2225705
        787.1346
## 5
                                        5.270800
                                                               4
                                                                        0.4627660
        787.1346
                                        5.980491
                                                               4
                                                                        0.1891892
     Melee Final Blows Melee Percentage of Final Blows Solo Kills Damage Blocked
## 1
                      0
                                                      0.0
                                                                   0
## 2
                      1
                                                      0.1
                                                                   2
                                                                                0.00
## 3
                      0
                                                      0.0
                                                                   0
                                                                                0.00
## 4
                      0
                                                      0.0
                                                                   0
                                                                                0.00
## 5
                      2
                                                      0.2
                                                                   0
                                                                            14737.62
## 6
                      0
                                                      0.0
                                                                   0
                                                                                0.00
##
     Environmental Kills Environmental Deaths Multikills Recon Assists
                        0
                                              0
## 2
                        0
                                              0
                                                          0
                                                                         0
## 3
                        0
                                              0
                                                          0
                                                                         0
## 4
                        0
                                              0
                                                          0
                                                                         0
## 5
                        1
                                              0
                                                          0
## 6
                        0
                                              0
                                                          0
                                                                         0
     Turrets Destroyed Teleporter Pads Destroyed round_start_time round_end_time
                                                      03/23/23 20:22 03/23/23 20:26
## 1
                                                 0
                      0
## 2
                                                      03/23/23 20:22 03/23/23 20:26
                      0
                                                 0
                                                      03/23/23 20:22 03/23/23 20:26
## 3
                      0
                                                 0
## 4
                      0
                                                      03/23/23 20:22 03/23/23 20:26
## 5
                                                 0
                                                      03/23/23 20:22 03/23/23 20:26
## 6
                      0
                                                 0
                                                      03/23/23 20:22 03/23/23 20:26
            stage match_id game_number
                                           match winner
                                                             map winner
## 1 2023: Pro-Am
                      41215
                                       1 Florida Mayhem Florida Mayhem
## 2 2023: Pro-Am
                      41215
                                       1 Florida Mayhem Florida Mayhem
## 3 2023: Pro-Am
                      41215
                                       1 Florida Mayhem Florida Mayhem
## 4 2023: Pro-Am
                      41215
                                       1 Florida Mayhem Florida Mayhem
## 5 2023: Pro-Am
                      41215
                                       1 Florida Mayhem Florida Mayhem
## 6 2023: Pro-Am
                      41215
                                       1 Florida Mayhem Florida Mayhem
               map_loser map_name map_round winning_team_final_map_score
                                            3
## 1 San Francisco Shock
                             Nepal
## 2 San Francisco Shock
                                            3
                                                                           2
                             Nepal
## 3 San Francisco Shock
                                            3
                                                                           2
                             Nepal
## 4 San Francisco Shock
                                            3
                                                                           2
                             Nepal
## 5 San Francisco Shock
                                            3
                                                                           2
                             Nepal
## 6 San Francisco Shock
                                            3
                                                                           2
                             Nepal
     losing_team_final_map_score control_round_name
                                                             Attacker
## 1
                                2
                                              Sanctum Florida Mayhem
## 2
                                2
                                              Sanctum Florida Mayhem
                                2
## 3
                                              Sanctum Florida Mayhem
## 4
                                2
                                              Sanctum Florida Mayhem
## 5
                                2
                                              Sanctum Florida Mayhem
```

• As stated in the brief, I am only interested in data after 05/05/2022 (start of Overwatch 2). Meaning I will need to format the dates into the correct format, as they are currently in the 'character' format.

The dates in this data set are formatted in two different ways for the 'round\_end\_time' variable, m/d/y and m/d/Y. I will convert both and then replace the correct dates with an index

```
#index of dates that are m/d/y (not m/d/Y) using regular expression
timeindex <- grepl("^\\d{2}/\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\d{2}\\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\\d{2}\
```

Now converting 'round start time' to a date:

```
owl$start_time <- as.POSIXct(owl$start_time, format = "%Y-%m-%d %H:%M:%S", tz = "UTC")
#Filtering out observations before 05/05/2022
owl <- na.omit(owl[(owl$round_end_time > as.POSIXct("2022/05/05 01:00", tz="UTC")),])
min(owl$round_end_time)
```

```
## [1] "2022-05-05 19:25:00 UTC"
```

The 'round\_start\_time' variable from owl\_map is now redundant, as it is not the start time of the game, but the final round of that game. Instead I will use the start time variable from the player data when the dataframes are joined.

```
owl[,"round_start_time"] <- list(NULL)</pre>
```

The player dataframe now contains all the information variables and most predictor variables I need to do analysis. But I still need to create a response variable that will be predicted by the model.

```
#Loop that iterates through each row, and stores a value for the outcome of each map
for(i in 1:nrow(owl)){
   if(owl$map_winner[i] == owl$team_name[i]){
      owl$win_map[i] <- 1
   }else if(owl$map_winner[i] == "draw"){</pre>
```

```
owl$win_map[i] <- 2
}else{
   owl$win_map[i] <- 0
}

#Loop that iterates through each row, and stores a value for the outcome of each match
for(i in 1:nrow(owl)){
   if(owl$match_winner[i]==owl$team_name[i]){
      owl$win_match[i] <- 1
   }else if(owl$match_winner[i]=="draw"){
      owl$win_match[i] <- 2
}else{
      owl$win_match[i] <- 0
}</pre>
```

Joining the two dataframes has created two duplicate columns:

```
names(owl)[duplicated(names(owl))]
```

```
## [1] "match_id" "map_name"
```

Which will be removed:

```
owl <- owl[, -c(49, 54)]
```

```
any(duplicated(names(owl)))
```

## ## [1] FALSE

Some variable names need to have underscores placed between words to ensure they work with glm() function:

```
#Placing underscores in each variable name
owlrmv_ <- gsub(" ", "_", names(owl))
names(owl) <- owlrmv_
#Removing minus and underscore that some variables have
owlrmv_minus <- gsub("_-", "", names(owl))
names(owl) <- owlrmv_minus</pre>
```

To quickly check the validity of the data, I will check to make sure that there are 10 observations (one for each player) for a given map in a given match:

```
nrow(owl[owl$match_id==41215 & owl$map_name=="Nepal",])
```

```
## [1] 10
```

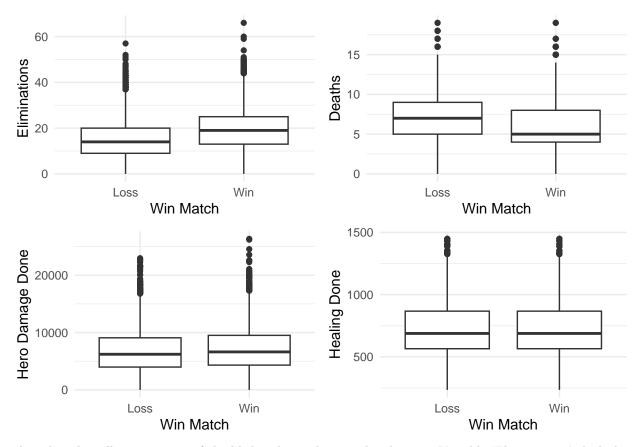
The data appears to have been cleaned correctly.

Reordering columns for simplicity:

```
owl <- owl[,c("start_time", "round_end_time", "match_id", "tournament_title", "map_type", "map_name", "]
names(owl)[1] <- "round_start_time"</pre>
```

#Exploratory analysis:

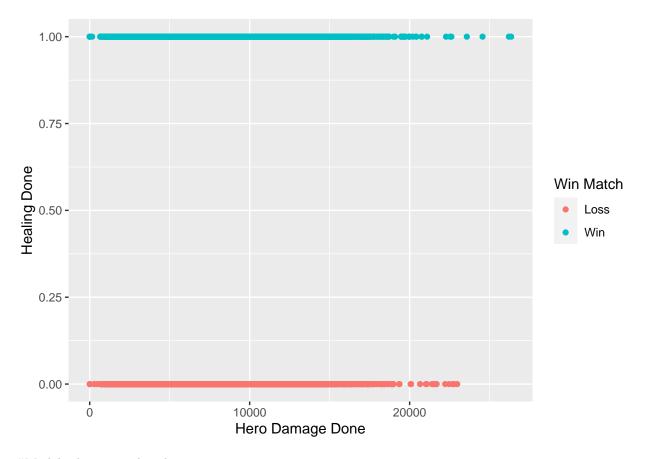
```
elim_plot <- ggplot(owl, aes(x = factor(win_match), y = Eliminations)) +</pre>
 geom_boxplot() +
 labs(x = "Win Match",
       y = "Eliminations") +
 scale_x_discrete(labels = c("Loss", "Win")) +
 theme_minimal()
deaths_plot <- ggplot(owl, aes(x = factor(win_match), y = Deaths)) +
  geom_boxplot() +
  labs(x = "Win Match",
       y = "Deaths") +
  scale_x_discrete(labels = c("Loss", "Win")) +
  theme_minimal()
damage_plot <- ggplot(owl, aes(x = factor(win_match), y = Hero_Damage_Done)) +</pre>
  geom_boxplot() +
  labs(x = "Win Match",
      y = "Hero Damage Done") +
  scale_x_discrete(labels = c("Loss", "Win")) +
 theme_minimal()
healing_plot <- ggplot(owl, aes(x = factor(win_match), y = Time_Played)) +
 geom_boxplot() +
 labs(x = "Win Match",
       y = "Healing Done") +
 scale_x_discrete(labels = c("Loss", "Win")) +
 theme_minimal()
plot_grid(elim_plot, deaths_plot, damage_plot, healing_plot)
```



These boxplots illustrate some of the likely relationships in this dataset. Variable 'Eliminations' clealy has a positive correlation with winning. While 'Deaths' has a negative one.

Variable 'Hero\_Damage\_Done' appears to have a slight difference in win rate, while healing done doesn't appear to because of the significant amount of 0 values.

This scatter plot better illustrates the relationship between 'Hero Damage Done' and winning.



#Model selection and evaluation

##

##

##

##

## splitting into test and train set:

```
set.seed(1)
train <- sample(nrow(owl), nrow(owl)*0.7, replace=FALSE)
train_owl <- owl[train,]
test_owl <- owl[-train,]

##fitting full model:

owl_logreg <- glm(win_match ~ All_Damage_Done + Assists + Average_Time_Alive + Barrier_Damage_Done + Damage_Done + Damage_Done + Damage_Done + Damage_Done + Damage_Done + Damage_Done + Assists + Average_Time_Alive +

## Call:
## glm(formula = win_match ~ All_Damage_Done + Assists + Average_Time_Alive +

## Barrier_Damage_Done + Damage_Quick_Melee + Damage_Taken +</pre>
```

Healing\_Done + Hero\_Damage\_Done + Knockback\_Kills + Objective\_Contest\_Time +

Deaths + Defensive\_Assists + Eliminations + Final\_Blows +

Objective\_Contest\_Time\_Avg\_per\_10\_Min + Objective\_Kills +
Objective\_Time + Offensive\_Assists + Shots\_Fired + Time\_Alive +

```
##
       Time_Building_Ultimate + Time_Elapsed_per_Ultimate_Earned +
##
       Time_Holding_Ultimate + Time_Played + Ultimates_Earned_Fractional +
       Ultimates Used + Weapon Accuracy + Melee Final Blows + Melee Percentage of Final Blows +
##
       Solo_Kills + Damage_Blocked + Environmental_Kills + Environmental_Deaths +
##
       Multikills + Recon_Assists + Turrets_Destroyed + Teleporter_Pads_Destroyed,
##
##
       family = "binomial", data = train_owl)
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min
                10
                     Median
                                  30
                                          Max
## -2.5641 -0.9614
                     0.3247
                              0.9698
                                        2.6133
## Coefficients:
                                          Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)
                                         4.827e-01 3.362e-01
                                                               1.436 0.151117
## All_Damage_Done
                                        -2.592e-06 1.171e-05 -0.221 0.824812
## Assists
                                         2.476e-02 1.300e-02
                                                                1.904 0.056889
                                        -1.113e-04 9.040e-04
## Average_Time_Alive
                                                               -0.123 0.902020
## Barrier Damage Done
                                        -1.143e-06 1.799e-05 -0.064 0.949338
## Damage_Quick_Melee
                                        2.049e-05 8.776e-05
                                                                0.233 0.815395
## Damage Taken
                                        -5.440e-06 9.949e-06 -0.547 0.584515
## Deaths
                                        -7.075e-01 4.996e-02 -14.161 < 2e-16
## Defensive Assists
                                         1.913e-02 4.911e-03
                                                                3.895 9.83e-05
                                         6.675e-02 1.421e-02
## Eliminations
                                                                4.698 2.63e-06
## Final Blows
                                         2.910e-02 1.665e-02
                                                                1.748 0.080420
## Healing_Done
                                        -1.149e-06 1.343e-05 -0.086 0.931841
## Hero_Damage_Done
                                        -6.726e-05 1.936e-05 -3.474 0.000512
## Knockback_Kills
                                        -1.569e-02 7.010e-03
                                                               -2.238 0.025211
## Objective_Contest_Time
                                        -5.741e-04 5.631e-03 -0.102 0.918784
## Objective_Contest_Time_Avg_per_10_Min 9.434e-02 3.825e+00
                                                                0.025 0.980324
## Objective_Kills
                                         9.166e-03 8.763e-03
                                                                1.046 0.295559
## Objective_Time
                                        -2.307e-03 6.020e-04
                                                               -3.832 0.000127
## Offensive_Assists
                                         3.206e-03 4.778e-03
                                                                0.671 0.502195
## Shots_Fired
                                        -3.134e-06 1.449e-05
                                                               -0.216 0.828754
## Time_Alive
                                                               -9.559 < 2e-16
                                        -4.840e-02 5.063e-03
## Time_Building_Ultimate
                                         4.397e-03 2.465e-03
                                                                1.784 0.074472
                                        -4.632e-03 2.370e-03
## Time_Elapsed_per_Ultimate_Earned
                                                               -1.954 0.050681
## Time_Holding_Ultimate
                                         3.527e-03 2.311e-03
                                                                1.526 0.126931
## Time_Played
                                         4.553e-02 5.539e-03
                                                                8.219 < 2e-16
## Ultimates_Earned_Fractional
                                        -1.158e-01 6.660e-02 -1.739 0.082047
## Ultimates_Used
                                         3.028e-02 3.593e-02
                                                                0.843 0.399308
## Weapon Accuracy
                                         1.752e-01 2.296e-01
                                                                0.763 0.445299
## Melee Final Blows
                                         1.959e-02 3.697e-02
                                                                0.530 0.596140
## Melee_Percentage_of_Final_Blows
                                        -4.805e-02 1.694e-01 -0.284 0.776700
## Solo_Kills
                                        -3.937e-02 3.012e-02 -1.307 0.191194
## Damage_Blocked
                                         1.473e-05 8.287e-06
                                                                1.778 0.075448
## Environmental_Kills
                                         3.129e-02 8.904e-02
                                                                0.351 0.725273
## Environmental_Deaths
                                         6.361e-02 7.845e-02
                                                                0.811 0.417437
## Multikills
                                         9.032e-02 5.391e-02
                                                                1.675 0.093855
                                         1.518e-01 4.160e-02
## Recon_Assists
                                                                3.649 0.000263
## Turrets_Destroyed
                                         9.547e-02 7.598e-02
                                                                1.256 0.208941
## Teleporter_Pads_Destroyed
                                       -2.191e-01 2.139e-01 -1.024 0.305648
## (Intercept)
## All Damage Done
```

```
## Assists
## Average_Time_Alive
## Barrier Damage Done
## Damage_Quick_Melee
## Damage_Taken
## Deaths
                                         ***
## Defensive Assists
## Eliminations
## Final Blows
## Healing_Done
## Hero_Damage_Done
## Knockback_Kills
## Objective_Contest_Time
## Objective_Contest_Time_Avg_per_10_Min
## Objective_Kills
## Objective_Time
## Offensive_Assists
## Shots Fired
## Time_Alive
                                         ***
## Time_Building_Ultimate
## Time_Elapsed_per_Ultimate_Earned
## Time_Holding_Ultimate
## Time_Played
                                         ***
## Ultimates_Earned_Fractional
## Ultimates_Used
## Weapon_Accuracy
## Melee_Final_Blows
## Melee_Percentage_of_Final_Blows
## Solo_Kills
## Damage_Blocked
## Environmental_Kills
## Environmental_Deaths
## Multikills
## Recon_Assists
## Turrets Destroyed
## Teleporter_Pads_Destroyed
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
       Null deviance: 14158 on 10212 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 12076 on 10175 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 12152
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 3
Evaluation metrics:
threshold <- 0.5
preds <- predict(owl_logreg, newdata = test_owl, type = "response")</pre>
pred_labels <- ifelse(preds >= threshold, 1, 0)
# AUC calculation
```

```
auc <- roc(test_owl$win_match, preds)$auc</pre>
## Setting levels: control = 0, case = 1
## Setting direction: controls < cases
# Classification accuracy
acc <- mean(test_owl$win_match == pred_labels)</pre>
# Precision
precision <- sum(preds[test_owl$win_match == 1] >= threshold) / sum(preds >= threshold)
# Recall
recall <- sum(preds[test_owl$win_match == 1] >= threshold) / sum(test_owl$win_match == 1)
cat(paste("AUC:", round(auc, 4), "\n"))
## AUC: 0.7535
cat(paste("Accuracy:", round(acc, 4), "\n"))
## Accuracy: 0.7016
cat(paste("Precision:", round(precision, 4), "\n"))
## Precision: 0.6982
cat(paste("Recall:", round(recall, 4), "\n"))
## Recall: 0.7033
The full model appears to predict somewhat well. This full model likely has some highly correlated variables:
```

Table 1: Table continues below

pander(vif(owl\_logreg))

All_Damage_Done	Assists	Average_Time_Alive	Barrier_Damage_Done
7.935	11.22	2.354	2.67

Table 2: Table continues below

Damage_Quick_Melee	${\bf Damage\_Taken}$	Deaths	Defensive_Assists	Eliminations
2.218	5.361	40.74	4.521	27.85

Table 3: Table continues below

Final_Blows	${\rm Healing\_Done}$	Hero_Damage_Done	Knockback_Kills
11.29	10.14	10.23	1.904

#### Table 4: Table continues below

Objective_Contest_Time	Objective_Contest_Time_Avg_per_10_Min
25.14	24.97

## Table 5: Table continues below

Objective_Kills	Objective_Time	Offensive_Assists	Shots_Fired
2.462	2.465	2.039	2.231

#### Table 6: Table continues below

${\bf Time\_Alive}$	${\bf Time\_Building\_Ultimate}$	${\bf Time\_Elapsed\_per\_Ultimate\_Earned}$
1865	373	7.603

#### Table 7: Table continues below

${\bf Time\_Holding\_Ultimate}$	${\bf Time\_Played}$	$Ultimates\_Earned\_Fractional$
62.5	2630	25.3

## Table 8: Table continues below

Ultimates_Used	Weapon_Accuracy	Melee_Final_Blows
6.346	1.659	2.892

## Table 9: Table continues below

Melee_Percentage_of_Final_Blows	Solo_Kills	Damage_Blocked
2.217	1.436	3.514

## Table 10: Table continues below

Environmental_Kills	Environmental_Deaths	Multikills	Recon_Assists
1.148	1.045	1.178	1.226

Turrets_Destroyed	Teleporter_Pads_Destroyed
1.272	1.254

There are some very heavily correlated variables in this dataset. This is likely because there are variables recording very similar things, or the same thing in a different way. For example 'Time\_Alive' and 'Time\_Building\_Ultimate' both have unreasonably high VIF scores of 1865 and 373 respectively. This is likely because ultimates are constantly being built while players are playing the game. I will remove the least important predictor, rather than using regularization or PCA. I will remove variables based on the relative significance and my domain knowledge.

Model with variables 'Time\_Played', 'Objective\_Contest\_Time', 'Final\_Blows', 'Time\_Building\_Ultimate', 'Ultimates\_Earned\_Fractional', 'All\_Damage\_Done' removed:

owl\_logreg\_reduced <- glm(win\_match ~ Assists + Average\_Time\_Alive + Barrier\_Damage\_Done + Damage\_Quic

#### pander(vif(owl\_logreg\_reduced))

Table 12: Table continues below

Assists	$Average\_Time\_Alive$	Barrier_Damage_Done	Damage_Quick_Melee
4.805	2.281	1.456	2.134

Table 13: Table continues below

${\bf Damage\_Taken}$	Deaths	Defensive_Assists	Eliminations	${\rm Healing\_Done}$
5.259	3.373	4.46	7.731	8.253

Table 14: Table continues below

$Hero\_Damage\_Done$	$Knockback\_Kills$	$Objective\_Contest\_Time\_Avg\_per\_10\_Min$
7.025	1.861	1.096

Table 15: Table continues below

Objective_Time	Offensive_Assists	Shots_Fired
2.022	1.991	2.022

Table 16: Table continues below

${\it Time\_Elapsed\_per\_Ultimate\_Earned}$	${\it Time\_Holding\_Ultimate}$	Ultimates_Used
2.823	1.857	4.62

Table 17: Table continues below

Weapon_Accuracy	$Melee\_Final\_Blows$	Melee_Percentage_of_Final_Blows
1.641	2.765	2.158

Table 18: Table continues below

Solo_Kills	${\bf Damage\_Blocked}$	$Environmental\_Kills$	Time_Alive
1.387	3.305	1.12	7.568

Table 19: Table continues below

Environmental_Deaths	Multikills	Recon_Assists	Turrets_Destroyed
1.041	1.172	1.204	1.27

Teleporter_	_Pads_	_Destroyed
	1.255	

This significant correlations have been removed, as all variables are < 10.

#### summary(owl\_logreg\_reduced)

```
##
## Call:
  glm(formula = win_match ~ Assists + Average_Time_Alive + Barrier_Damage_Done +
##
       Damage_Quick_Melee + Damage_Taken + Deaths + Defensive_Assists +
##
       Eliminations + Healing_Done + Hero_Damage_Done + Knockback_Kills +
##
       Objective_Contest_Time_Avg_per_10_Min + Objective_Time +
       Offensive_Assists + Shots_Fired + Time_Elapsed_per_Ultimate_Earned +
##
       Time_Holding_Ultimate + Ultimates_Used + Weapon_Accuracy +
##
       Melee_Final_Blows + Melee_Percentage_of_Final_Blows + Solo_Kills +
##
       Damage_Blocked + Environmental_Kills + Time_Alive + Environmental_Deaths +
       Multikills + Recon_Assists + Turrets_Destroyed + Teleporter_Pads_Destroyed,
##
       family = "binomial", data = train_owl)
##
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q
                      Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
## -2.5616 -0.9708
                     0.3178
                               0.9844
                                        2.4208
##
## Coefficients:
                                           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
##
## (Intercept)
                                         -6.267e-02 2.240e-01 -0.280 0.779658
## Assists
                                          9.744e-03 8.483e-03
                                                                1.149 0.250695
## Average_Time_Alive
                                         -1.198e-03 8.764e-04 -1.367 0.171736
## Barrier_Damage_Done
                                         -4.283e-06 1.321e-05 -0.324 0.745719
## Damage_Quick_Melee
                                         -2.319e-05 8.565e-05 -0.271 0.786565
## Damage_Taken
                                         -7.403e-07 9.788e-06 -0.076 0.939708
```

```
## Deaths
                                        -2.446e-01 1.433e-02 -17.070 < 2e-16
## Defensive Assists
                                         2.187e-02 4.872e-03 4.489 7.17e-06
                                         9.415e-02 7.455e-03 12.630 < 2e-16
## Eliminations
                                        -1.035e-05 1.208e-05 -0.857 0.391422
## Healing_Done
## Hero Damage Done
                                        -7.285e-05 1.597e-05 -4.562 5.06e-06
## Knockback Kills
                                        -1.819e-02 6.908e-03 -2.634 0.008441
## Objective_Contest_Time_Avg_per_10_Min -9.342e-02 7.942e-01 -0.118 0.906372
## Objective Time
                                        -2.377e-03 5.422e-04 -4.385 1.16e-05
## Offensive Assists
                                         2.915e-03 4.708e-03
                                                               0.619 0.535774
## Shots_Fired
                                        -7.699e-06 1.370e-05 -0.562 0.574167
## Time_Elapsed_per_Ultimate_Earned
                                         2.479e-04 1.431e-03
                                                              0.173 0.862514
## Time_Holding_Ultimate
                                         3.475e-04 3.961e-04
                                                              0.877 0.380377
## Ultimates_Used
                                         3.004e-02 3.047e-02
                                                              0.986 0.324296
## Weapon_Accuracy
                                         1.569e-01 2.271e-01 0.691 0.489655
## Melee_Final_Blows
                                         2.808e-02 3.591e-02 0.782 0.434264
## Melee_Percentage_of_Final_Blows
                                        -1.158e-01 1.660e-01 -0.698 0.485371
## Solo_Kills
                                        -3.510e-02 2.944e-02 -1.192 0.233169
## Damage Blocked
                                         7.885e-06 7.985e-06
                                                              0.987 0.323438
                                         1.283e-02 8.815e-02 0.146 0.884271
## Environmental_Kills
## Time Alive
                                         6.321e-04 3.208e-04
                                                              1.970 0.048831
## Environmental_Deaths
                                         6.869e-02 7.804e-02 0.880 0.378813
## Multikills
                                         8.389e-02 5.356e-02 1.566 0.117293
                                        1.504e-01 4.077e-02 3.690 0.000225
## Recon_Assists
                                        9.611e-02 7.451e-02 1.290 0.197068
## Turrets Destroyed
## Teleporter_Pads_Destroyed
                                      -2.138e-01 2.130e-01 -1.004 0.315533
## (Intercept)
## Assists
## Average_Time_Alive
## Barrier_Damage_Done
## Damage_Quick_Melee
## Damage_Taken
## Deaths
## Defensive_Assists
## Eliminations
## Healing_Done
## Hero Damage Done
## Knockback_Kills
## Objective_Contest_Time_Avg_per_10_Min
## Objective_Time
## Offensive Assists
## Shots Fired
## Time_Elapsed_per_Ultimate_Earned
## Time_Holding_Ultimate
## Ultimates_Used
## Weapon_Accuracy
## Melee_Final_Blows
## Melee_Percentage_of_Final_Blows
## Solo_Kills
## Damage_Blocked
## Environmental_Kills
## Time_Alive
## Environmental_Deaths
## Multikills
```

```
## Recon_Assists
                                          ***
## Turrets_Destroyed
## Teleporter_Pads_Destroyed
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##
       Null deviance: 14158 on 10212 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 12185 on 10182 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 12247
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4
threshold <- 0.5
preds <- predict(owl_logreg_reduced, newdata = test_owl, type = "response")</pre>
pred_labels <- ifelse(preds >= threshold, 1, 0)
# AUC calculation
auc <- roc(test_owl$win_match, preds)$auc</pre>
## Setting levels: control = 0, case = 1
## Setting direction: controls < cases
# Classification accuracy
acc <- mean(test_owl$win_match == pred_labels)</pre>
# Precision
precision <- sum(preds[test_owl$win_match == 1] >= threshold) / sum(preds >= threshold)
recall <- sum(preds[test_owl$win_match == 1] >= threshold) / sum(test_owl$win_match == 1)
cat(paste("AUC:", round(auc, 4), "\n"))
## AUC: 0.7485
cat(paste("Accuracy:", round(acc, 4), "\n"))
## Accuracy: 0.6996
cat(paste("Precision:", round(precision, 4), "\n"))
## Precision: 0.6967
cat(paste("Recall:", round(recall, 4), "\n"))
## Recall: 0.6996
```

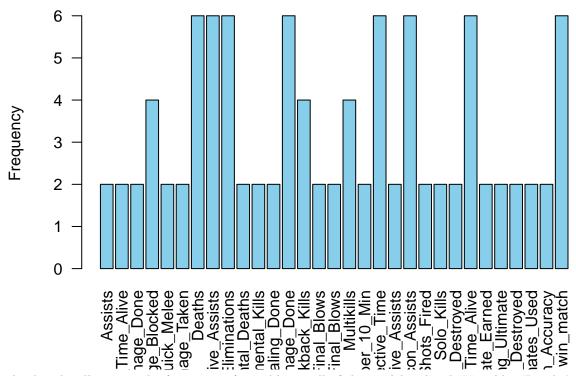
However the evaluation metrics show the model is marginally worse at predicting.

#Model selection Now that the highly correlated variables have been removed, I will find the variables that appear to be the most informative.

Performing forwards, backwards and stepwise model selection with both AIC and BIC.

## **Variable Frequency**

barplot(pred\_freq, las = 2, col = "skyblue", main = "Variable Frequency", ylab = "Frequency")



This barplot illustrates the frequency of variables in all of the models selectd. Variables 'Deaths', 'Denfen-

sive\_Assits', 'Hero\_Damge\_Done', 'Objective\_Time', 'Recon\_Assits', 'Time\_Alive' are included in all 6 models.

## pred\_freq[pred\_freq==max(pred\_freq)]

##	predictors			
##	Deaths	Defensive_Assists	Eliminations	<pre>Hero_Damage_Done</pre>
##	6	6	6	6
##	Objective_Time	Recon_Assists	Time_Alive	${\tt win\_match}$
##	6	6	6	6

These variables are therefore the most informative, and will be used for the future model.

Some variables not included here, such as 'Healing\_Done' or 'Ultimates\_Used' may be significant in the context of the future model predicting team vs team rather than individual players overall.

This study was successful in getting a better understanding of the most informative variables in this context. This will help inform my further model building with this dataset.