Logarithmic Regression D208

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1 D208 Project 2

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2 Part 1: Research Question

The research question that we are investigating is: Can we create a model, with both categorical and continuous variables, that can identify patients that are at high risk of readmission within 30 days of their initial discharge? Our goals of this analyses are to provide a cleaned data set that is prepared for a logistic regression model, and to create both an initial and reduced logistic model.

3 Part 2: Method Justification

3.1 B1: Assumptions of Logistic Regressions

When utilizing a logistic regression model there are five assumptions being made. First, the dependent variable that we are investigating must be a binary variable, in this case either the patient was readmitted, or they were not. Next, our predictor variables must be independent of each other, meaning that we cannot use variables that come from repeated data. The data must also contain little multicollinearity and that predictor variables have a linear relationship with log odds. Lastly, the data set must be large (Statistics Solutions, 2021). ## B2: Python Tool Justification Python was selected due to its ability to be versatile and the large number of libraries already available to users. We will be able to import and utilize these tools to streamline the analytics process, including the data wrangling steps.(Larose, 2019). ## B3: Selection of Logistic Regression Logistic regression was selected for this model because we are exploring a categorical dependent variable. While linear regression allows for only continuous data to be used as dependent variables, logistic regression only allows for categorical. Logistic regression also allows for us to use multiple predictor variables, as long as they meet the assumptions listed above.

4 Part 3: Data Preparation

4.1 C1 and C3Data Preparation Goals and Steps to Achieve Them

To prepare out data for the modeling we will need to accomplish a handful of steps. First, we will need to import the data into python from its text file and save it as a data frame. We will then

need to recast categorical data from its current state into one that is easily usable. For example, for yes or no questions we will cast no as 0 and yes as 1. Each dictionary we are using for this is identified within the code below. Then we will fill null values of continuous data using their means, and for categorical data we will assume them leaving the answer blank means that it does not apply to them. Thus, we will fill those null values with 0. We will allow for the outliers in both vitamin d supplementation and number of meals eaten, since both are within a realistic number dependent on the length of a patients stay. (Pandas Development Team, 2008).

Following these steps, we will create a new data frame with only the columns identified as necessary for the initial model.

4.2 Identify Summary Statistics and Predictor Variable Selection

There will be three types of predictor variables in the initial model. For continuous predictors we have 4: • Number of doctor visits during initial stay • Number of full meals eaten • Number of Vitamin D supplementations administered • Number of days for initial admission

For our categorical predictors we have 12 variables: • Soft drink consumption • High blood pressure • Previous stroke • Arthritis • Overweight • Diabetes • Hyperlipidemia • Back pain • Anxiety • Allergic Rhinitis • Reflux esophagitis • Asthma

Lastly, we have a survey that the patient filled out at the end of their initial admission. This provides us with ordinal data type predictor variables. They are: • Timely admission • Timely treatment • Timely visits by provider • Reliability • Options of treatment • Hours of treatment • Courteous staff • Active listening by provider

The summary statistics for all 24 predictor variables and the target variable are provided below.

4.3 Univariate and Bivariate Visualizations

For the predictor variables we will be using histograms and box plots for their univariate statistics. Any outliers will be identified and addressed as discussed in the data preparation steps above. We will then make a scatter plot of each predictor with the target variable.

5 Importing Data and Recasting Categorical Columns

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[141]: # I need to import the csv file and the libraries necessary for data cleaning
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import seaborn as sns

md = pd.read_csv('medical_raw_data.csv')
md.head
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ActiveListening

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[142]: #Drop columns described in cleaning plan then call columns to show that it has
      ⇒been succesfully dropped
      'State', 'County', 'Zip', 'Population', 'Area', |
      'Services', 'TotalCharge', 'Additional_charges',
      →'VitD_levels', 'Initial_admin', 'Complication_risk'])
      cmd.drop(columns=cmd.columns[0], axis=1, inplace=True)
[143]: | #I will be renaming each 'item' column to better reflect what question was
      \rightarrowbeing asked without having to reference the data sheet
      cmd.rename(columns={'Item1': 'AdmissionTime', 'Item2': 'TreatmentTime', 'Item3':
      → 'Visits', 'Item4': 'Reliability', 'Item5': 'Options', 'Item6': 'Hours',
                'Item7': 'Courteous', 'Item8': 'ActiveListening'}, inplace = True)
      cmd.dtypes
[143]: Customer_id
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      ReAdmis
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     Full_meals_eaten
                           int64
     VitD_supp
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      Soft_drink
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      Stroke
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      Arthritis
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     Diabetes
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      Hyperlipidemia
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      BackPain
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      Anxiety
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      Courteous
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[144]: #This will be a similar dictionary to replace each yes/no questions. This will,
       \rightarrowbe for ReAdmis column.
       dict_admis = {'ReAdmis':{ 'Yes' : 1, 'No': 0}}
       cmd.replace(dict_admis, inplace = True)
       # Soft drink intake
       dict_soft = {'Soft_drink':{ 'Yes' : 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_soft, inplace = True)
       #High blood pressure
       dict_bp = {'HighBlood':{ 'Yes' : 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_bp, inplace = True)
       #Stroke
       dict_stroke = {'Stroke':{ 'Yes' : 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_stroke, inplace = True)
       # Athritis
       dict_ath = {'Arthritis':{'Yes' : 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_ath, inplace = True)
       #Diabetes
       dict_dia = {'Diabetes':{'Yes' : 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_dia, inplace = True)
       #Hyperlipidemia
       dict_hype = {'Hyperlipidemia':{'Yes': 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_hype, inplace = True)
       #Back Pain
       dict back = {'BackPain':{'Yes': 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_back, inplace = True)
       #Allergic Rhinitis
       dict_aller = {'Allergic_rhinitis':{'Yes': 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_aller, inplace = True)
       # Reflux Esophagitis
       dict_ref = {'Reflux_esophagitis':{'Yes': 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_ref, inplace = True)
       #Asthma
       dict_ast = {'Asthma': {'Yes': 1, 'No': 0, 'NA': np.NaN}}
       cmd.replace(dict_ast, inplace = True)
       # Services
       dict_ser = {'Services':{ 'Blood Work':1, 'Intravenous': 2, 'CT Scan': 3, 'MRI':
       →4}}
       cmd.replace(dict_ser, inplace = True)
```

6 Identify and Addressing Null Values

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[145]: null_columns=cmd.columns[cmd.isnull().any()]
cmd[null_columns].isnull().sum()
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[146]: # First we will fill the null values that we are planning to 0 out
cmd.Soft_drink.fillna(0, inplace = True)
cmd.Anxiety.fillna(0, inplace = True)
cmd.Overweight.fillna(0, inplace = True)

# Next is the Initial days which will be replaced with mean values
cmd['Initial_days'] = cmd['Initial_days'].fillna((cmd['Initial_days'].mean()))

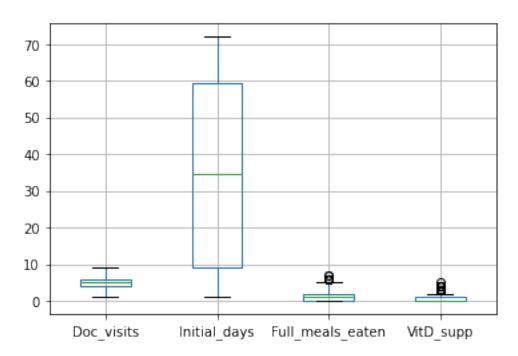
#Check to make sure the nulls were replaced
null_columns=cmd.columns[cmd.isnull().any()]
cmd[null_columns].isnull().sum()
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[146]: Series([], dtype: float64)

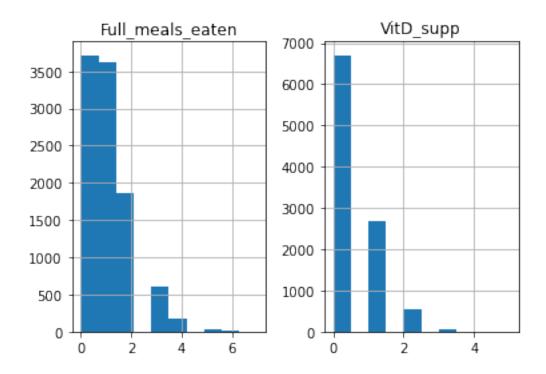
7 Detecting and Addressing Outliers (Continous Univariate Statistics)

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[147]: #Using a boxplot to identify outliers in the rows most likely to contain them cmd.boxplot(['Doc_visits', 'Initial_days', 'Full_meals_eaten', 'VitD_supp'])
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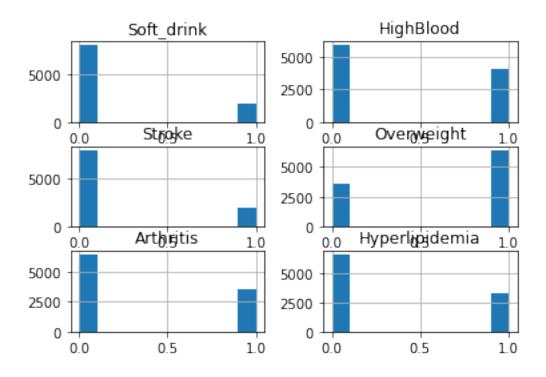
[147]: <AxesSubplot:>



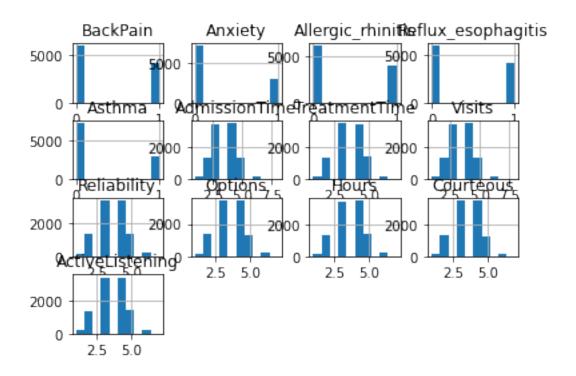
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[148]: # Taking a closer look at the full meals eaten and vitamin d supplementation cmd.hist(['Full_meals_eaten', 'VitD_supp'])
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8 Univariate Statistics for Remaining Variables



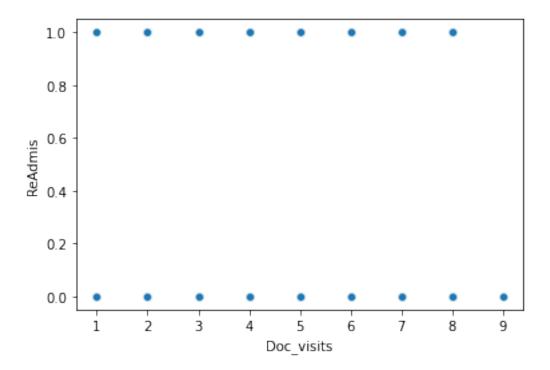
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[150]: cmd.hist(['BackPain', 'Anxiety', 'Allergic_rhinitis', __
        →'Reflux_esophagitis','Asthma',
        →'AdmissionTime','TreatmentTime','Visits','Reliability',⊔
        →'Options','Hours','Courteous','ActiveListening'])
[150]: array([[<AxesSubplot:title={'center':'BackPain'}>,
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9 Bivariate Statistics

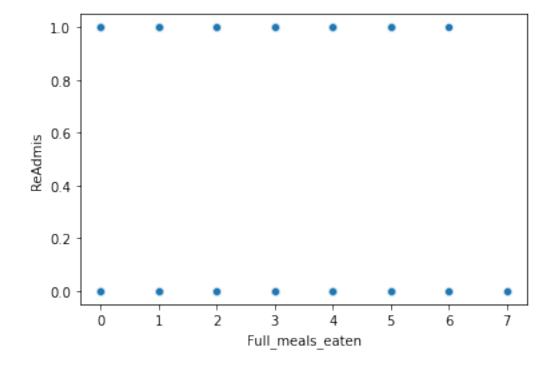
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[151]: # Run a scatterplot for each predictor vs the target variable sns.scatterplot(x = 'Doc_visits', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[151]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Doc_visits', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



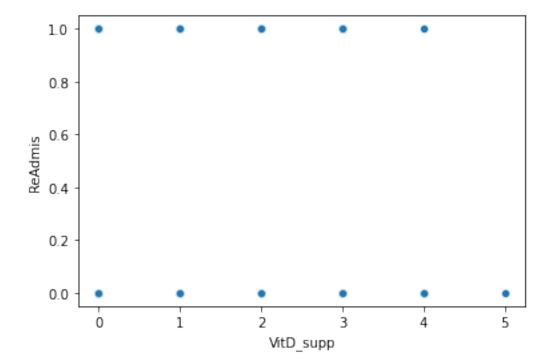
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[152]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Full_meals_eaten', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[152]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Full_meals_eaten', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



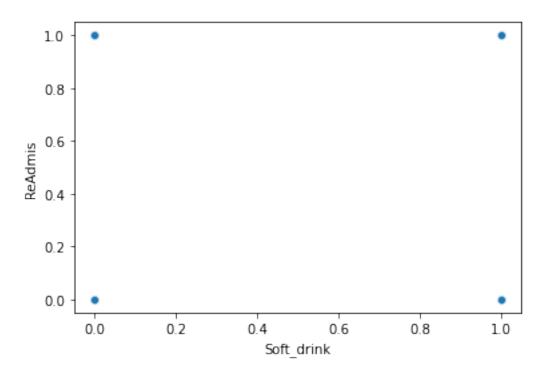
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[153]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'VitD_supp', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[153]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='VitD_supp', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



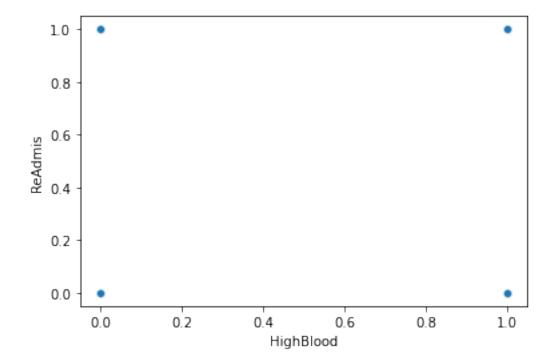
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[154]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Soft_drink', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[154]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Soft_drink', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



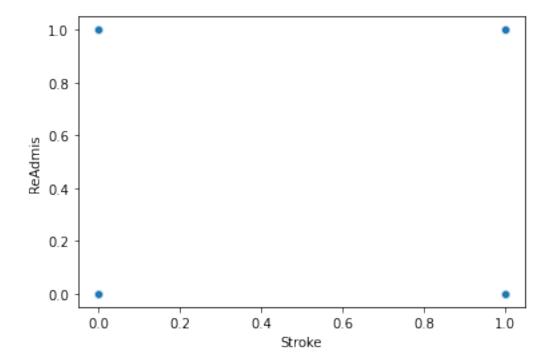
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[155]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'HighBlood', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[155]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='HighBlood', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



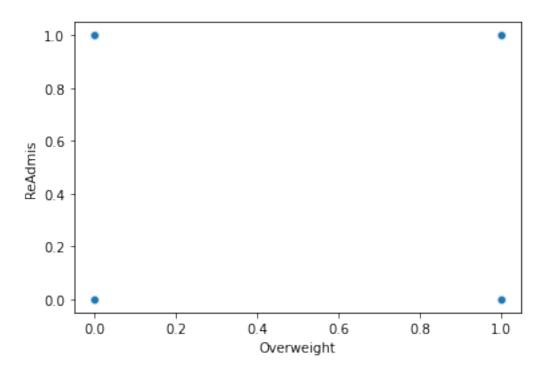
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[156]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Stroke', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[156]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Stroke', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



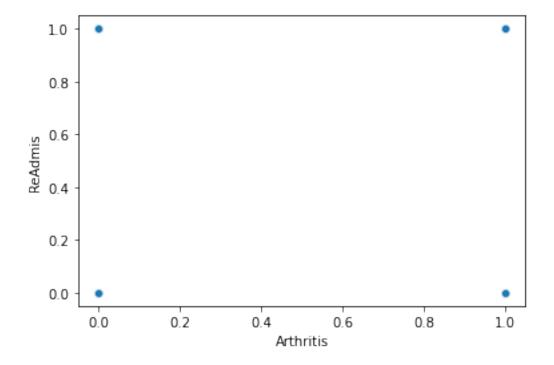
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[157]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Overweight', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[157]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Overweight', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



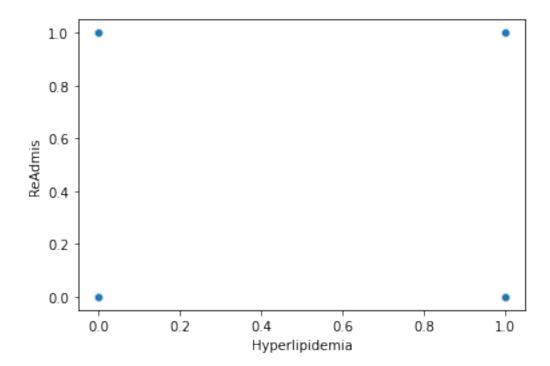
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[158]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Arthritis', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[158]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Arthritis', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



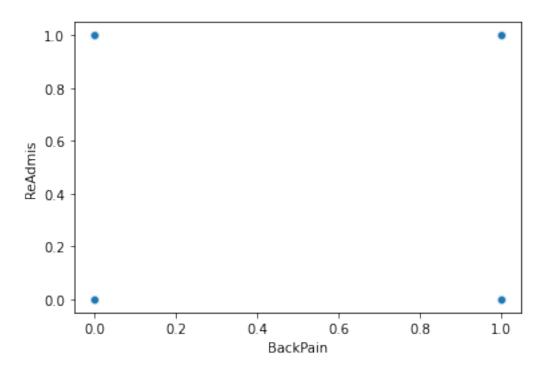
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[159]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Hyperlipidemia', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[159]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Hyperlipidemia', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



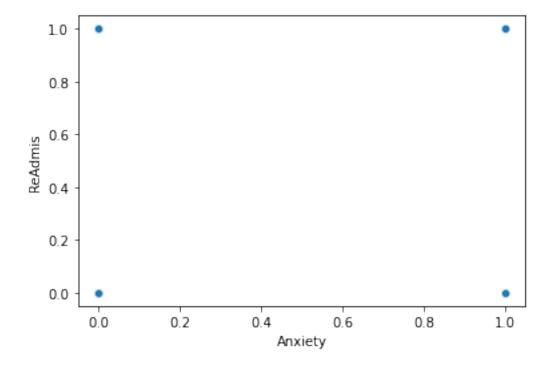
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[160]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'BackPain', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[160]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='BackPain', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



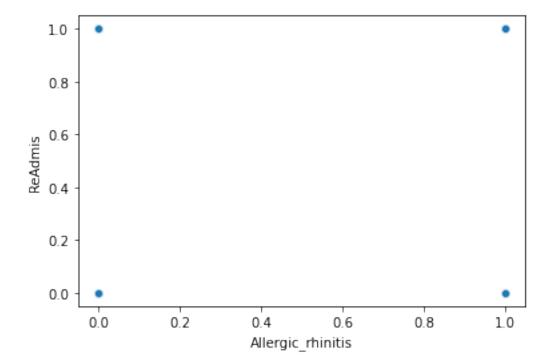
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[161]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Anxiety', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[161]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Anxiety', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



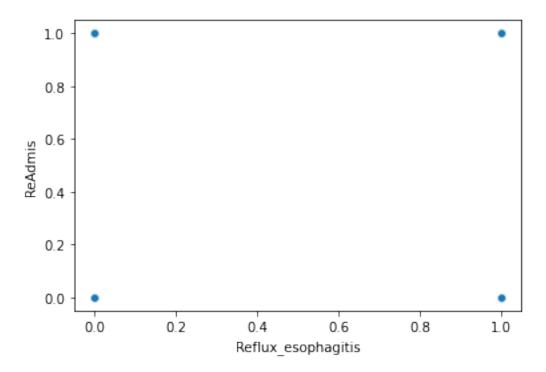
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[162]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Allergic_rhinitis', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[162]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Allergic_rhinitis', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



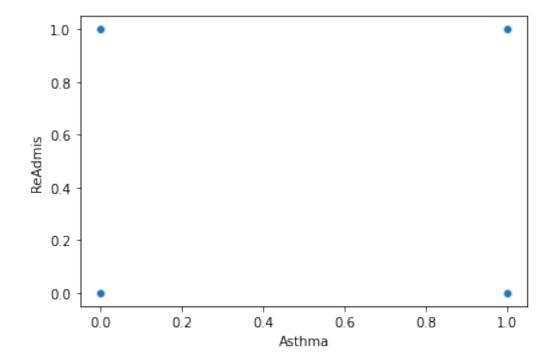
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[163]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Reflux_esophagitis', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[163]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Reflux_esophagitis', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



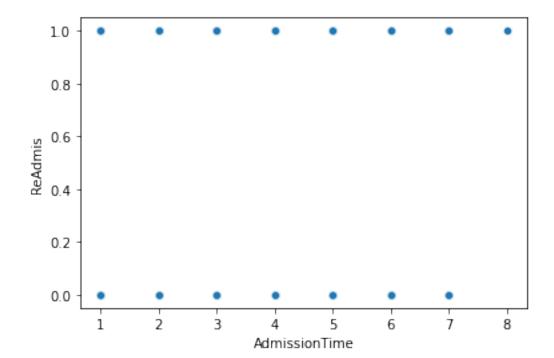
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[164]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Asthma', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[164]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Asthma', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



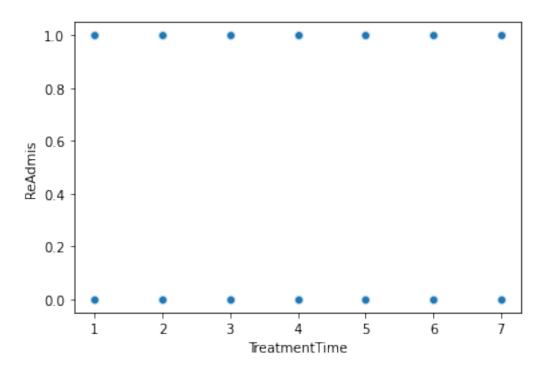
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[165]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'AdmissionTime', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[165]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='AdmissionTime', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



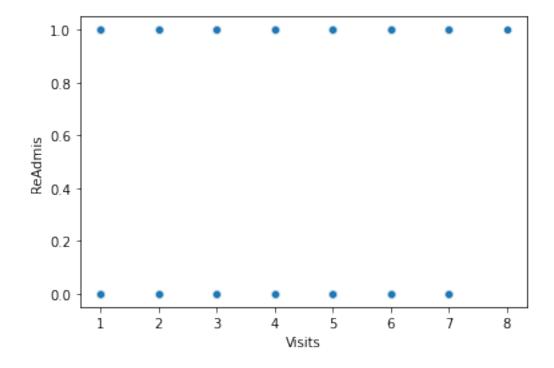
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[166]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'TreatmentTime', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[166]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='TreatmentTime', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



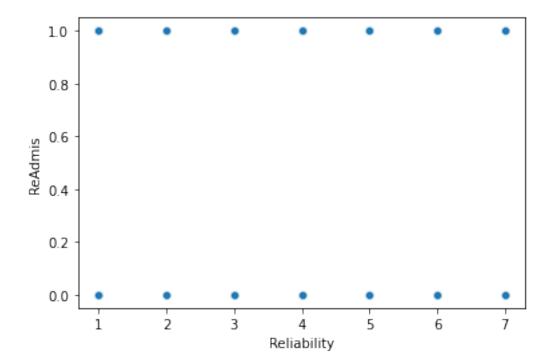
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[167]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Visits', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[167]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Visits', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



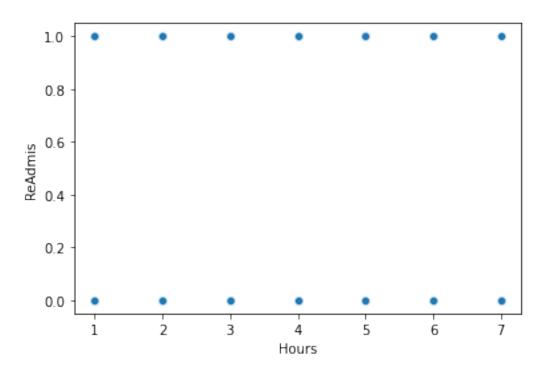
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[168]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Reliability', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[168]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Reliability', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



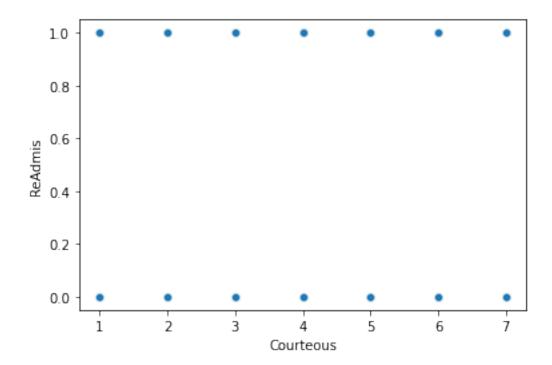
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[169]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Hours', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[169]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Hours', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



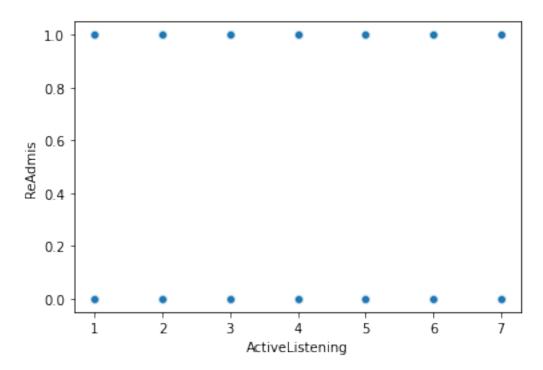
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[170]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'Courteous', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[170]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='Courteous', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



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[171]: sns.scatterplot(x = 'ActiveListening', y = 'ReAdmis', data = cmd)
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[171]: <AxesSubplot:xlabel='ActiveListening', ylabel='ReAdmis'>



10 Save Data Set

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[172]: cmd.to_csv('clean_data_208_T2.csv')
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11 Initial Model

Optimization terminated successfully.

Current function value: 0.226092

current function value. 0.22009.

Iterations 8

[174]: # Summary of Model print(logReg.summary())

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0.158						
BackPain	0.0075	0.078	0.097	0.923	-0.145	
0.160						
Anxiety	0.0509	0.08	5 0.601	0.548	-0.115	

0.217					
Allergic_rhinitis -0.061	-0.2150	0.078	-2.745	0.006	-0.369
Reflux_esophagitis	-0.0824	0.078	-1.058	0.290	-0.235
0.070					
Asthma	-0.1004	0.086	-1.174	0.241	-0.268
0.067 AdmissionTime	0 0716	0.055	1 201	0 102	0.026
0.179	0.0716	0.055	1.301	0.193	-0.036
TreatmentTime	-0.0146	0.051	-0.287	0.774	-0.115
0.085					
Visits	-0.0114	0.047	-0.241	0.810	-0.104
0.081					
Reliability	0.0631	0.042	1.504	0.133	-0.019
0.145 Options	0.0192	0.044	0.433	0.665	-0.068
0.106	0.0192	0.044	0.433	0.003	-0.000
Hours	-0.0428	0.046	-0.931	0.352	-0.133
0.047					
Courteous	-0.0394	0.042	-0.928	0.353	-0.123
0.044					
ActiveListening	-0.0402	0.041	-0.989	0.323	-0.120
0.039 Soft_drink	0.0631	0.099	0.640	0.522	-0.130
0.257	0.0001	0.033	0.040	0.022	0.100
HighBlood	0.1624	0.078	2.071	0.038	0.009
0.316					
Stroke	0.1606	0.096	1.681	0.093	-0.027
0.348	0.0400	0.000	0.545		0 445
Overweight 0.196	0.0409	0.079	0.515	0.606	-0.115
Arthritis	-0.1248	0.080	-1.564	0.118	-0.281
0.032					
Hyperlipidemia 0.255	0.0941	0.082	1.150	0.250	-0.066

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12 Reduced Model

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[175]: from statsmodels.tools import add_constant
    # Set variables to identified variables only
    x2 = cmd[['Initial_days', 'Allergic_rhinitis', 'HighBlood', 'Stroke']]
    y2 = cmd[['ReAdmis']]
    x2con = add_constant(x2)
    # Create model and fit line
    LogRegRed = sm.Logit(y2, x2con).fit()
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print(LogRegRed.summary())

Optimization terminated successfully.

Current function value: 0.226987

Iterations 8

Logit Regression Results

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Dep. Variable:		ReAdmis	No. Observati	lons:	10000		
Model:		Logit	Df Residuals:		9995		
Method:		MLE	Df Model:		4		
Date:	Tue, 04 J	an 2022	Pseudo R-squ.	0.6547			
Time:	1	2:22:03	Log-Likelihoo	od:	-2269.9		
converged:		True	LL-Null:		-6572.9		
Covariance Type:	no	nrobust	LLR p-value:		0.000		
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_	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025		
0.975]							
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const	-7.2866	0.175	-41.649	0.000	-7.630		
-6.944							
Initial_days	0.1510	0.003	46.948	0.000	0.145		
0.157							
Allergic_rhinitis	-0.2115	0.078	-2.709	0.007	-0.365		
-0.058							
HighBlood	0.1650	0.078	2.110	0.035	0.012		
0.318							
Stroke	0.1515	0.095	1.592	0.111	-0.035		
0.338							
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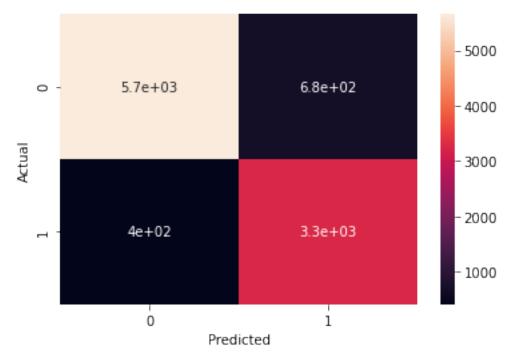
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13 Confusion Matrix

[176]: x2 = x2.astype('<U32') x2.dtypes

[176]: Initial_days object
Allergic_rhinitis object
HighBlood object
Stroke object
dtype: object

[177]: # Import necessary libraries
from sklearn.metrics import classification_report, confusion_matrix
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt



14 Part IV: Model Comparison

14.1 D2: Justify Variable Selection

For the reduced model, we will include any variable with a p-value less than .1. This value was selected as it is a common cut off value for statistical significance. For the reduced model we will continue with the following predictor variables: initial days of admission, stroke, allergic rhinitis,

and high blood pressure. We can see that there are 3 variables around pre-existing conditions in this list. ## E1: Discussion of Initial and Reduced Models The initial model had a pseudo-R-squared value of 0.656. This means that we were able to explain 66% of variance through the regression equation that was created. From here, we removed the variables that did not meet the threshold of p < 0.1. This resulted in us going from 24 predictor variables down to only 4. The reduced model produced a pseudo-R-squared value of 0.655. While there is no statistically relevant increase or decrease of accuracy from the reduced model, by reducing the number of variables we can reduce the possibility of randomness impacting our reduced model while keeping the R-squared the same. # Part V: Data Summary and Implications ## Equation of Reduced Model The regression equation for the reduced model is: y = -7.286 + (0.151 * initial admission) + (-0.211 * Allergic Rhinitis) + (0.165 * High blood pressure) + (0.151 * Stroke)

14.2 Interpretation of Coefficients and Statistical Significance

For our reduced model we see that allergic rhinitis has a negative coefficient while the other 3 predictors have a positive coefficient. It would appear from the model that initial length of stay is the largest determining factor in whether the patient is readmitted. With it being the only continuous variable, it will drastically overshadow the categorical predictors. The overall model explains nearly 66% of variance in whether a patient is likely to be readmitted.

This model is currently limited by the type and amount of data we have collected. I believe it would be beneficial to refine our survey questions further, possibly reducing the number of options so that we may get a clearer picture of our patient's experience.

14.3 Recommendation

I would recommend that we begin focusing our time on patients who have had extended stays and have either high blood pressure or a previous stroke in their medical records. This model would indicate that we are completely addressing the patient's condition during extended stays, which in turn is resulting in readmission and fines to our hospital. We could assemble a team of subject matter experts to review this report and provide recommendations on possible modification to current procedures for providers, that could reduce the number of fines in the future.

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