D&D Challenge Rating Prediction & Calculation

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Key Info

In D&D, every creature (including player characters and Monsters) has an ability score for each stat, and this determines a modifier, a number that you add or subtract to all kinds of dice rolls and actions.

Each character or Monster can be officially sourced from the Dungeon & Dragons rule books, or the players may create their own - known as Home-brew.



Summary

This project uses an iterative approach to Regression Modelling in order to understand how a Dungeon & Dragons Monster stats may effect its Challenge Rating (CR).

D&D Beyond can use this Prediction

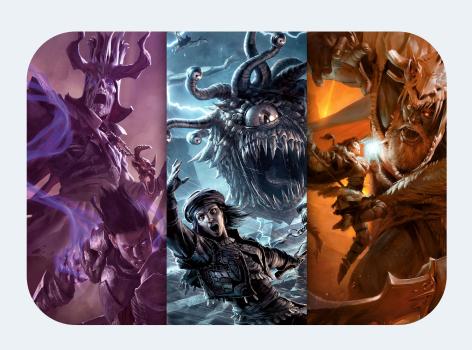
Model to calculate the CR of any

Home-brew Monster while

successfully accounting for the

variance of 91% of the model.

Outline



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Business Problem



- Missing Tool to predict/calculate the Challenge Rating of Home-brew Monsters
- Correlation of what dictates
 CR is mostly unknown to the player base
- Increasing popularity and possible influx of new players

The Data

The data sourced for this regression analysis comes from Kaggle, which has been API scraped from an online version of the Official 5th Edition Dungeon & Dragons Compendium.

- 762 different D&D Monsters
- 53 columns of stats
- Action and Attack abilities

The Methods

Through various visualisations and Linear Regression Analysis, the project went through five total iterations, including the simple base model.

These versions tackled issues including:

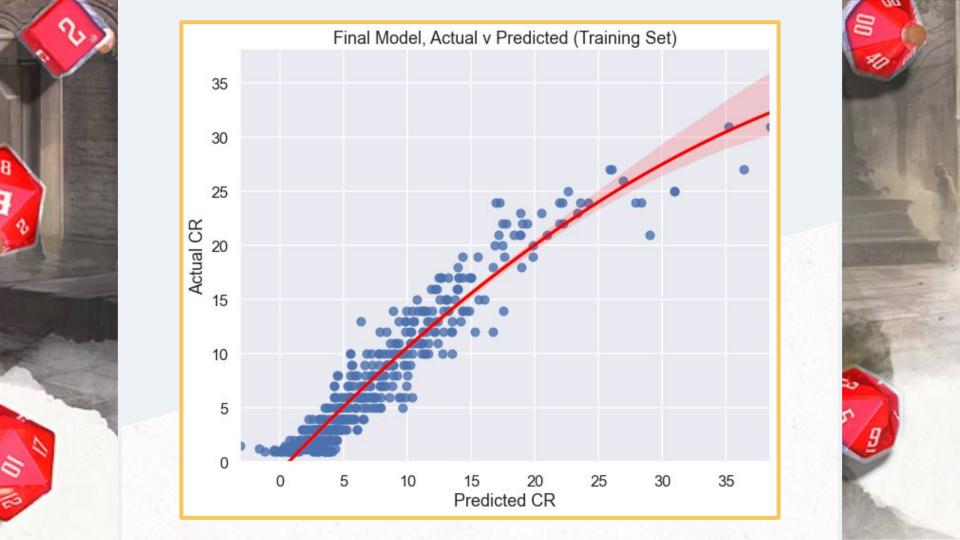
- 1. Identifying different types of Categorical data
- 2. Appropriate transformation of variables
- 3. Utilising selector functions



The Results



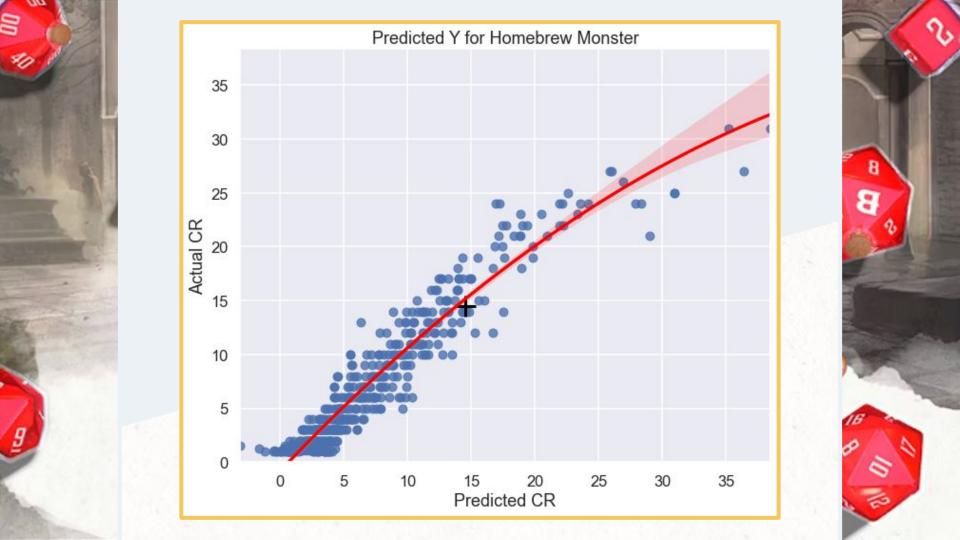
This regression analysis can successfully account for 91% of the models variance.



Top 10

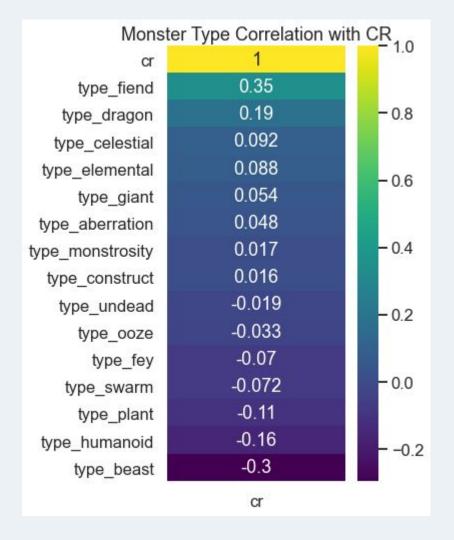
- 1. Health
- 2. Intelligence
- 3. Charisma
- 4. Armor Class
- 5. Constitution
- 6. Strength
- 7. Wisdom
- 8. Dexterity
- 9. The Multiattack ability
- 10. Speed





Monster Type





Conclusions

D&D Beyond may use this prediction model to implement a **Challenge Rating Calculator for** their Monster Creation Tool, and make it available to the online platform players.

- Highly correlated stats to CR are now revealed
- Further analysis could prove useful into the Fiend Monster Type
- Resistance & Immunity data to collate
- The model can be used as more D&D Monsters are released

Thank You!

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