# 4-Vet Clinic Wait Times Model

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## 1 File Information

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Purpose: Prepare Data for Modeling; Build & Evaluate Models

Usage: Python 3.7.6

Developed using Jupter Notebook 6.0.3

## 2 Data Source

Proprietary data provided by DoveLewis Animal Hospital, Portland, OR

## 3 References

Albon, C. (2018). Machine learning with Python cookbook practical solutions from preprocessing to deep learning. O'Reilly.

Mithrakumar, M. (2019, November 12). How to tune a Decision Tree? Medium. https://towardsdatascience.com/how-to-tune-a-decision-tree-f03721801680.

## 4 Part 4

In Part 4, I will prepare the dataset for modeling. I will also build, train, and evaluate a variety of models.

## 4.1 Import required packages

```
[1]: # Suppress Warnings
import warnings
warnings.filterwarnings('ignore')
import csv
import pandas as pd
```

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
import numpy as np

from sklearn import preprocessing
from sklearn.model_selection import train_test_split

from datetime import datetime
```

# 5 Prepare Data

```
[2]: # Load data into pandas dataframes
data_file = "Data\modeling_data.csv"
vet_df = pd.read_csv(data_file)

#print(vet_df.columns)
#print(vet_df.dtypes)
```

# 6 Exploratory Data Analysis

## 6.1 Summary Statistics

```
[3]: # Review summary statistics
print("Describe Data")
print(vet_df.describe())
```

Describe Data

	Row ID	Outpatient Count	ICU Patient Count	Weekday
count	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000
mean	421653.889323	19.620526	19.391157	3.035862
std	8541.990075	8.468209	4.844600	1.993248
min	406905.000000	0.000000	5.000000	0.000000
25%	414266.250000	14.000000	16.000000	1.000000
50%	421627.500000	19.000000	19.000000	3.000000
75%	428988.750000	25.000000	23.000000	5.000000
max	436620.000000	48.000000	35.000000	6.000000

	Month	ecc_dept_cnt	cardio_dept_cnt	im_dept_cnt	\
count	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	
mean	2.275895	0.233580	0.011411	0.014841	
std	1.039166	0.620678	0.109982	0.138462	
min	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
25%	1.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
50%	2.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
75%	3.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
max	4.000000	73.000000	3.000000	8.000000	

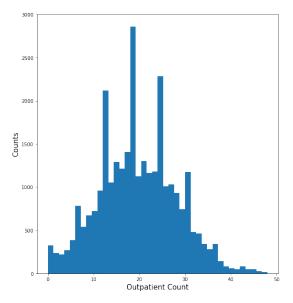
	uc_dept_cnt	aband_cnt	stat_tri_cnt	urg_tri_cnt	stab_tri_cnt	\
count	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	
mean	0.003498	0.025878	0.041228	0.051824	0.089350	
std	0.059041	0.162996	0.202376	0.225472	0.294969	
min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
25%	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
50%	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
75%	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	
max	1.000000	5.000000	3.000000	3.000000	7.000000	
	uc_tri_cnt	pts_tri_cnt	non_tri_cnt	Hour	Week_No	
count	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	29446.000000	
mean	0.003498	0.008558	0.017286	11.479929	9.079434	
std	0.059041	0.092115	0.140856	6.946321	8.671807	
min	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	1.000000	
25%	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	5.000000	4.000000	
50%	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	11.000000	8.000000	
75%	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000	18.000000	12.000000	
max	1.000000	1.000000	3.000000	23.000000	53.000000	
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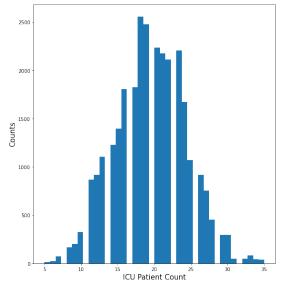
Notice the outlier of Emergency (ECC) counts. Max value is 73. Upon reviewing the data, there is an almost 24-hour gap in whiteboard data, which resulted in all patients treated during that time to be assigned to the last whiteboard entry. This outlier record will need to be removed.

## 6.2 Histograms

```
[4]: # Plot histograms for waiting room counts
     # Import packages
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     # Set up the figure size
     plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (20, 10)
     # Make subplots
     fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows = 1, ncols = 2)
     # Specify the features of interest
     num_features = ['Outpatient Count', 'ICU Patient Count']
     xaxes = num_features
     yaxes = ['Counts', 'Counts']
     # Draw histograms
     axes = axes.ravel()
     for idx, ax in enumerate(axes):
         ax.hist(vet_df[num_features[idx]].dropna(), bins=40)
         ax.set_xlabel(xaxes[idx], fontsize=15)
         ax.set_ylabel(yaxes[idx], fontsize=15)
```

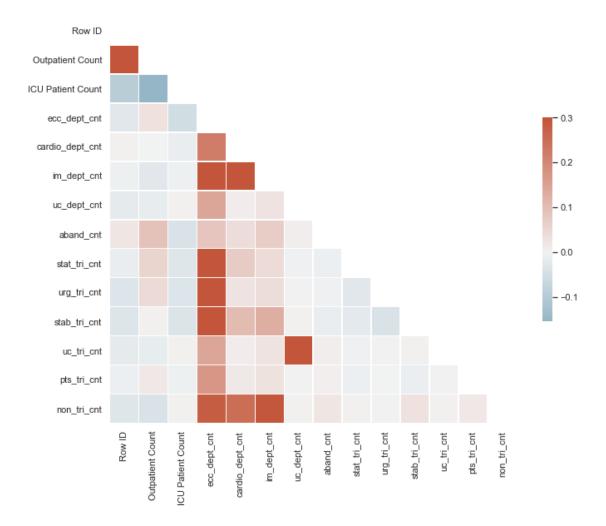
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ax.tick_params(axis='both', labelsize=10)
plt.show()
```





### 6.3 Correlation

## [5]: <AxesSubplot:>



There is only a small correlation with each of the numeric features, so I will include all in the model.

## 6.4 Determine Target Variable

Use throughput of patients as the target variable. Will need to add a new derived column to store patient change per interval. This will represent the throughput of the treatment area.

```
[6]: # Calculate throughput in minutes and store in df

# Sort dataframe
vet_df.sort_values(by=['Row ID'])
```

```
# Convert TimeStamp field
vet_df['Time Stamp'] = vet_df['Time Stamp'].astype('datetime64')
# Loop through each record in dataframe
last_time = 0
cur_time_int = 0
cum_int = 0
for index, row in vet_df.iterrows():
        # Compute patient count
        patient_cnt = row['ecc_dept_cnt'] + row['cardio_dept_cnt'] +__
→row['im_dept_cnt'] + row['uc_dept_cnt']
        # Convert current time to days since data start date 1Jan2021
        cur_time = (row['Time Stamp'] - np.datetime64('2021-01-01','D')) / np.
→timedelta64(1,'D')
        cur_time = cur_time * 24 * 60  # Convert to minutes
        # Set time interval since the last patient change
        cur_time_int = cur_time - last_time
        cum_int = cum_int + cur_time_int
        # Calculate Throughput
        if patient_cnt == 0:
            patient_tput = 0
            # print(patient cnt, cur time, last time, cur time int, cum int, ...
\rightarrow patient_tput)
        else:
            patient_tput = patient_cnt / cum_int
            # print(patient_cnt, cur_time, last_time, cur_time_int, cum_int,_
 \rightarrow patient_tput)
            cum int = 0
                           #reset
        # Store throughput
        vet_df.at[index,'patient_tput'] = patient_tput
        # Store current time for next iteration
        last_time = cur_time
        # print(patient_cnt, cum_int, patient_tput)
vet_df.head(10)
```

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[6]: Row ID Outpatient Count ICU Patient Count Time Stamp Weekday \
0 406905 14 23 2021-01-01 00:02:39 4
1 406906 14 23 2021-01-01 00:07:41 4
2 406907 13 2021-01-01 00:12:43 4
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[7]: # Drop records without throughput

vet\_df = vet\_df[vet\_df['patient\_tput'] != 0]

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# Drop outlier whiteboard record
     vet_df = vet_df[vet_df['Row ID'] != 433472]
     # Drop unneeded columns
     vet_df.drop(['Row ID','Time Stamp'],
             axis=1, inplace = True)
     print(vet_df.columns)
     vet_df.head()
    Index(['Outpatient Count', 'ICU Patient Count', 'Weekday', 'Month',
            'ecc_dept_cnt', 'cardio_dept_cnt', 'im_dept_cnt', 'uc_dept_cnt',
           'aband_cnt', 'stat_tri_cnt', 'urg_tri_cnt', 'stab_tri_cnt',
           'uc_tri_cnt', 'pts_tri_cnt', 'non_tri_cnt', 'Hour', 'Week_No',
            'patient_tput'],
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## 6.5 Split Dataset

```
[8]: # Split data into two sets: Training and Testing
     # Rename for readability
     df = vet_df
     # Split out target variable
     data_model_y = df.patient_tput
     # Remove target variable from feature list
     data_model_X = df.drop(['patient_tput'], axis=1, inplace = False)
     # Split the data into training and validation datasets
     # Save 30% for validation
     X_train, X_val, y_train, y_val = train_test_split(data_model_X, data_model_y,_
     →test_size =0.3, random_state=7)
     # Check details of the datasets
     print("No. of samples in original set: ", data_model_X.shape[0])
     print("No. of samples in training set: ", X_train.shape[0])
     print("No. of samples in validation set: ", X_val.shape[0])
     print("No. of features: ", X_train.shape[1])
    No. of samples in original set:
    No. of samples in training set:
    No. of samples in validation set: 1989
    No. of features: 17
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# 7 Model Evaluation and Selection

## 7.1 Decision Tree Regressor

No need to encode or scale data for Decision Trees. This will make results more explainable for customer.

#### 7.1.1 Build Model

#### 7.1.2 Model Evaluation

```
[11]: # Return the coefficient of determination of predictions tree_model.score(X_val, y_val, sample_weight=None)
```

[11]: -0.378654953986185

```
[12]: print('Tree depth:',tree_model.get_depth())
print('Number of leaves:',tree_model.get_n_leaves())
```

Tree depth: 51

Number of leaves: 4252

## 7.2 Random Forest Regressor

## 7.2.1 Build Model

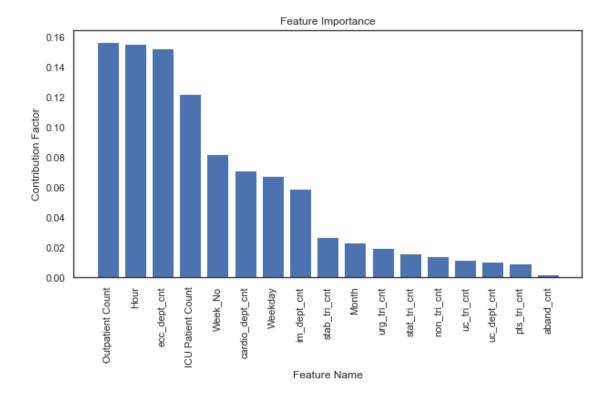
```
[13]: # Create random forest regressor object
from sklearn.ensemble import RandomForestRegressor
randomforest = RandomForestRegressor(random_state=0, n_jobs=-1)
# max_features - maximum number of features to consider at each node. Defaults
to number of features
# bootstrap - indicates whether or not to sample with replacement. Defaults to
True.

# n_estimators - number of decision trees to construct. Defaults to 10.

# Train model
forest_model = randomforest.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

#### 7.2.2 Model Visualization

```
[14]: # Find most important features in Random Forest model
      # Set up the figure size
      plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (10, 5)
      # Calculate feature importances
      importances = forest_model.feature_importances_
      # Sort feature importances in descending order
      indices = np.argsort(importances)[::-1]
      # Rearrange feature names so they match the sorted feature importances
      names = [X_train.columns[i] for i in indices]
      # Create plot
      plt.figure()
      # Create labels
      plt.title("Feature Importance")
      plt.xlabel('Feature Name')
      plt.ylabel('Contribution Factor')
      # Add bars
      plt.bar(range(X_train.shape[1]), importances[indices])
      # Add feature names as x-axis labels
      plt.xticks(range(X_train.shape[1]), names, rotation=90)
      # Show plot
      plt.show()
```



## 7.2.3 Re-Train

```
[15]: # Retrain the model using only the most important features
from sklearn.feature_selection import SelectFromModel
selector = SelectFromModel(randomforest, threshold=0.04)

# Create new feature matrix using selector
features_important = selector.fit_transform(X_train, y_train)

# Train random forest using most important features
forest_model = randomforest.fit(features_important, y_train)
```

## 7.2.4 Model Evaluation

[17]: 0.09620358586505828

forest\_model.score(forest\_X\_val, y\_val, sample\_weight=None)

## 7.3 AdaBoost Regressor

## 7.3.1 Build Model

```
[18]: # Create random forest regressor object
from sklearn.ensemble import AdaBoostRegressor
adaboost = AdaBoostRegressor(random_state=0)
# n_estimators - number of models to iteratively train
# learning_rate - contribution of each model to the weights - defaults to 1 -

Reduce slower but better perf

# Train model
boost_model = adaboost.fit(X_train, y_train)
```

#### 7.3.2 Model Evaluation

```
[19]: # Return the coefficient of determination of the prediction. boost_model.score(X_val, y_val, sample_weight=None)
```

[19]: 0.023139914620062152

## 8 Model Tuning

Optimize the highest performing model. Decision Tree model far outperformed the others.

## 8.0.1 Build Model

```
[20]: # Train with important features as identified by Random Forest model
     imp_X_train = X_train.drop(['stab_tri_cnt', 'Month', __
      ⇒axis=1, inplace = False)
     imp_X_val = X_val.drop(['stab_tri_cnt', 'Month', __

¬'urg_tri_cnt','uc_tri_cnt','stat_tri_cnt','non_tri_cnt','uc_dept_cnt','pts_tri_cnt','aband_
      →axis=1, inplace = False)
[21]: # Create decision tree regressor object - Optimized to R2=0.51
     decisiontree2 = DecisionTreeRegressor(
         criterion="poisson",
         random_state=0,
         splitter="random",
         max_features="sqrt"
     # max_depth - Maximum depth of the tree
     # min_impurity_split - Minimum_impurity_i decrease required before a split_is_{\sqcup}
      \rightarrow performed.
     # Train model
     tree_model2 = decisiontree2.fit(imp_X_train, y_train)
```

#### 8.0.2 Model Evaluation

```
[22]: # Return the coefficient of determination of predictions tree_model2.score(imp_X_val, y_val, sample_weight=None)
```

[22]: -0.5875260985662087

Limiting features increased coefficient from -0.38 to -0.44. Changing the criterion metric from mae to poisson increased further to -0.49. Selecting the best random split increased to -0.51. Considering the square root of the number of features at each decision increased further to -0.59.

```
[23]: print('Tree depth:',tree_model2.get_depth())
print('Number of leaves:',tree_model2.get_n_leaves())
```

Tree depth: 32

Number of leaves: 3970

## 8.0.3 Model Visualization

dot: graph is too large for cairo-renderer bitmaps. Scaling by 0.227615 to fit

[24]: True

# 9 Model Deployment

```
[25]: # Review features
imp_X_val.head()
y_val.head()

[25]: 13179    0.396040
4498    0.066225
9151    0.066152
11561    0.198020
17713    0.024763
```

Name: patient\_tput, dtype: float64

```
[26]: # Prompt for feature values
      p_out_wait_cnt = input('Enter number of patients currently waiting in theu
      →Outpatient Waiting Room ')
      p_icu_wait_cnt = input('Enter number of patients currently waiting in the ICU_
      →Waiting Room ')
      p ecc cnt = input('Enter number of patients checked in for the ECC Dept ')
      p_cardio_cnt = input('Enter number of patients checked in for the CARDIO Dept U
      p_im_cnt = input('Enter number of patients checked in for the IM Dept ')
      # Derived date features based on current time
      now = datetime.now()
      p_week_no = now.isocalendar()[1]
      p_week_day = now.weekday()
      p_hour = now.hour
      # Pass parameters into dataframe
      df = pd.DataFrame({'Outpatient Count':p_out_wait_cnt,
              'ICU Patient Count':p_icu_wait_cnt,
              'Weekday':p_week_no,
              'ecc_dept_cnt':p_ecc_cnt,
              'cardio_dept_cnt':p_cardio_cnt,
              'im_dept_cnt':p_im_cnt,
              'Hour':p_hour,
              'Week_No':p_week_no},
              index=[0]
      # Predict throughput for provided feature values
      v_throughput = tree_model2.predict(df)
      print()
      print('Throughput is expected to be', int(round(float(v_throughput)*60,0)), u
      →'patients per hour.')
      # Calculate estimated wait time
      v_wait_cnt = int(p_out_wait_cnt) + int(p_icu_wait_cnt)
      v_wait_time = v_wait_cnt / v_throughput
      print('Current wait time is estimated to be', int(round(float(v_wait_time),0)),__
      →'minutes.')
     Enter number of patients currently waiting in the Outpatient Waiting Room 12
     Enter number of patients currently waiting in the ICU Waiting Room 12
     Enter number of patients checked in for the ECC Dept 1
     Enter number of patients checked in for the CARDIO Dept 1
     Enter number of patients checked in for the IM Dept 0
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Throughput is expected to be 8 patients per hour. Current wait time is estimated to be 182 minutes.

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