

Week 4 Assignment

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KJ 8.1

Recreate the simulated data from Exercise 7.2:

```
library(mlbench)
set.seed(200)
simulated <- mlbench.friedman1(200, sd = 1)
simulated <- cbind(simulated$x, simulated$y)
simulated <- as.data.frame(simulated)
colnames(simulated)[ncol(simulated)] <- "y"
```

a) Fit a random forest model to all of the predictors, then estimate the variable importance scores:

```
library(randomForest)
```

```
## randomForest 4.6-10
## Type rfNews() to see new features/changes/bug fixes.
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```
library(caret)
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## Warning: package 'caret' was built under R version 3.1.3
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## Loading required package: lattice
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## Warning: package 'lattice' was built under R version 3.1.3
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## Loading required package: ggplot2
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## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 3.1.3
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```
model1 <- randomForest(y ~ ., data = simulated, importance = TRUE, ntree = 1000)
rfImp1 <- varImp(model1, scale = FALSE)
```

Did the random forest model significantly use the uninformative predictors (V6 – V10)?