Predicting Diabetes and Obesity

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Goal

- Identify predictive factors of diabetes and obesity
- Help improve public health decision making
- Use machine learning classification methods

The Data Sets

- 1. CDC Health and Nutrition Survey from 2007 2014
- 2. Early Childhood Study for Kindergarteners from 2010 2011
- 3. Adolescent Health Study for 7th -12th graders from 1994

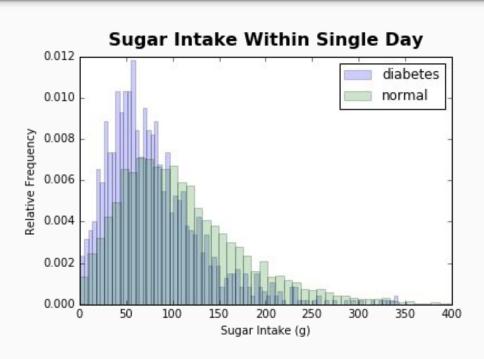
Our Classification Problem

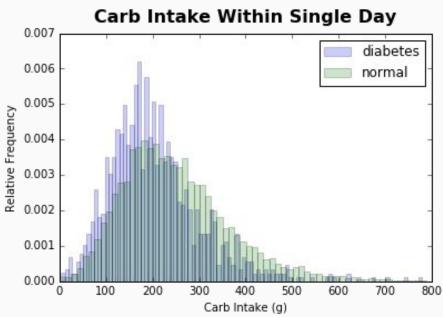
Treat diabetes and obesity as binary classifiers. Obesity defined as BMI over 95% of the national average for that age.

Models:

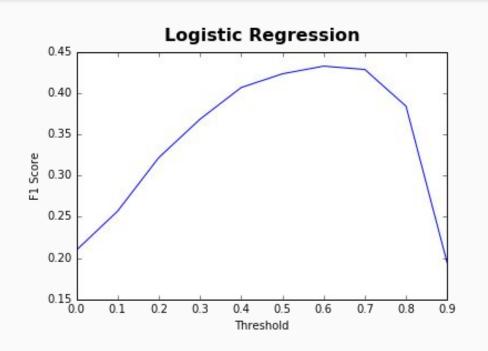
- Logistic Regression
- Random Forest
- Naive Bayes
- XGBoost

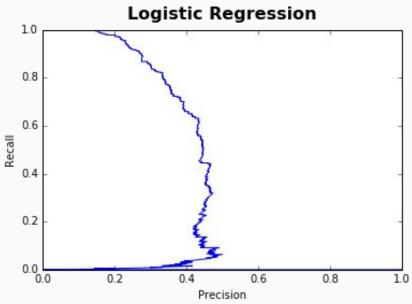
Feature Distributions - Diabetes Data





Logistic Regression - Diabetes Prediction





Some Logistic Regression Coefficients

Age: 7.56

Sugar: -5.46

Fat: 2.06

Cholesterol: 1.58

Protein: 1.58

Carbohydrates: -1.46

Polyunsaturated fat intake: 0.79

High blood pressure: 0.300

Hours watching TV: 0.22

Saturated fat intake: 0.18

Some Surprising Coefficients

Sugar: no effect

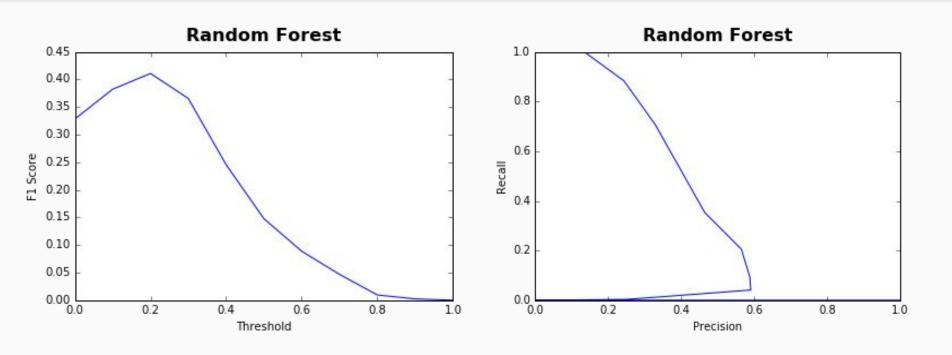
Moderate Activity: increase

Walk/Bike: increase

Hypertension: decrease

High Blood Pressure: decrease

Random Forest - Diabetes Prediction



Random Forest Feature Importances

Main reason did not work last week:

- Taking care of house/family
- Going to school
- Retired
- Health Reasons
- Laid Off
- Disabled
- Other

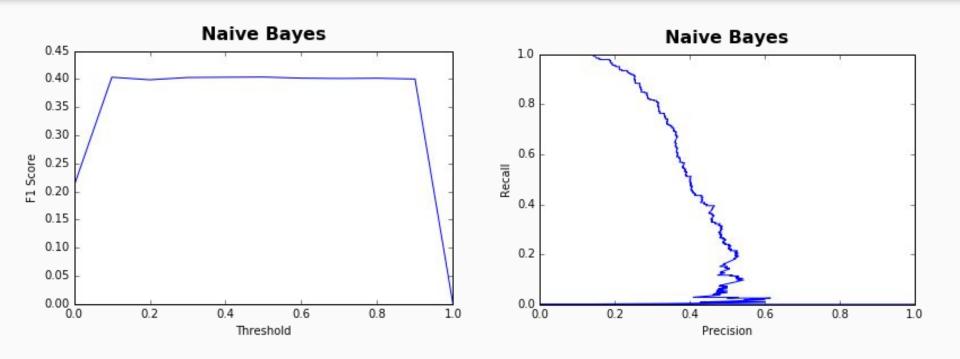
Age

Sugar

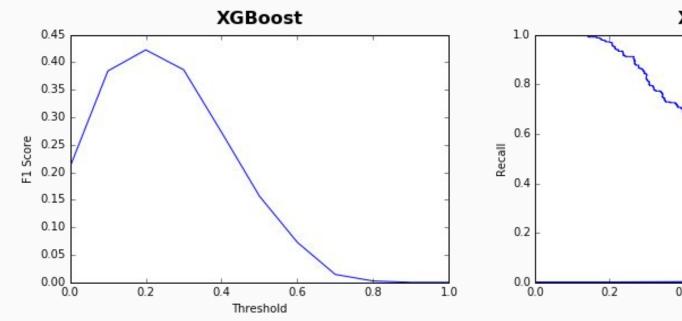
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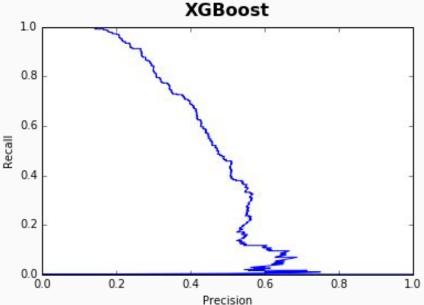
High Blood Pressure

Naive Bayes - Diabetes Prediction



XGBoost - Diabetes Prediction





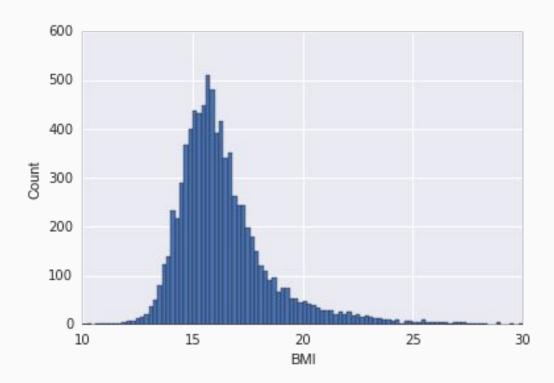
Final Model for Diabetes: XGBoost

Five Most Important Features:

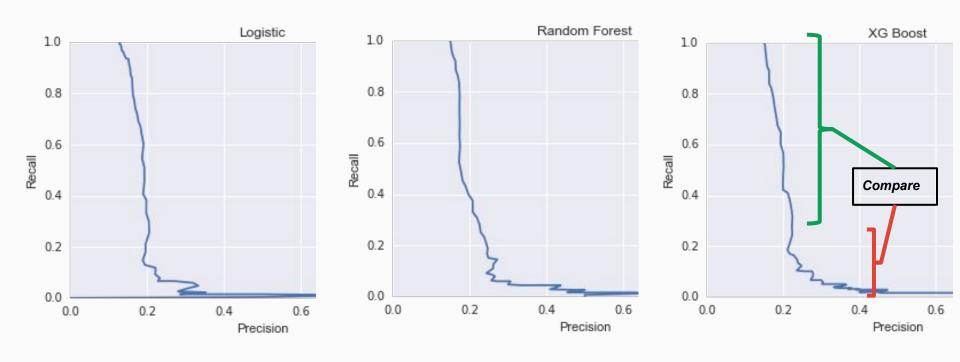
- Sugar Intake (per day)
- Age
- High Blood Cholesterol Level
- Polyunsaturated Fat Intake (per day)
- Alcohol Intake (per year)

Kindergarten Data Set

- Used features related to demographics and parental status.
- Geocode data was not made public.
- No behavioral data
- 8500 kids with no missing data
- Obesity cutoff is a BMI of ~18



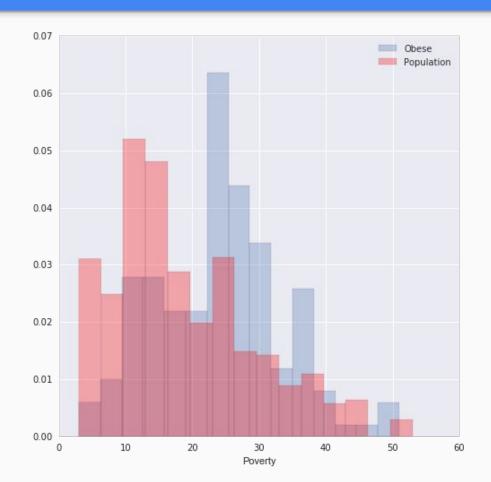
Classification Results



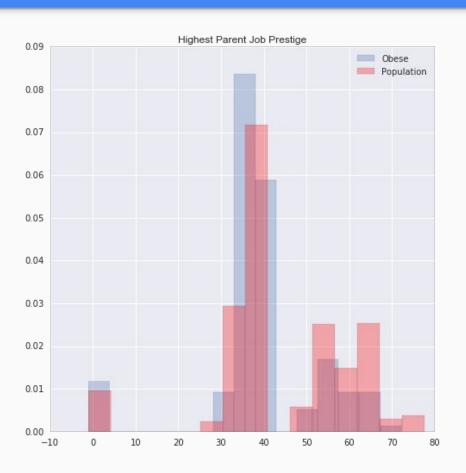
XG Boost

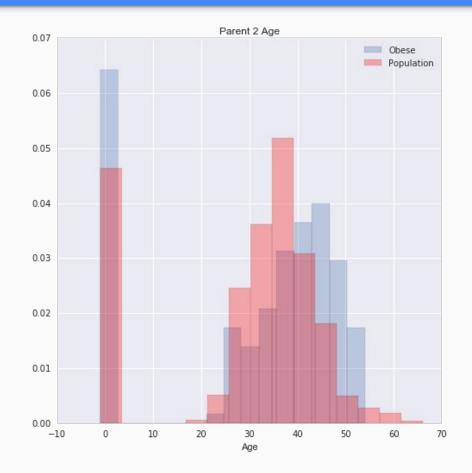
Most Important Features:

- Parents' Ages
- District Poverty
- Parents' Job Prestige
- Family Income Category



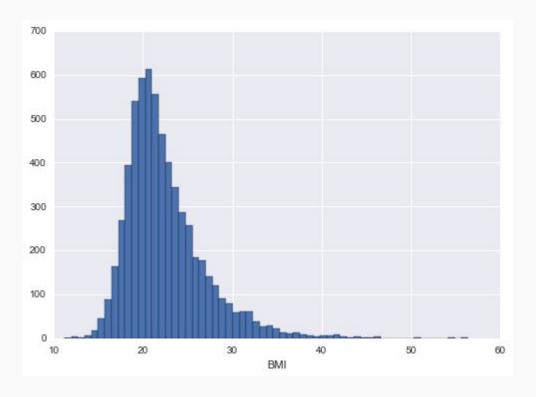
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High School Data Set

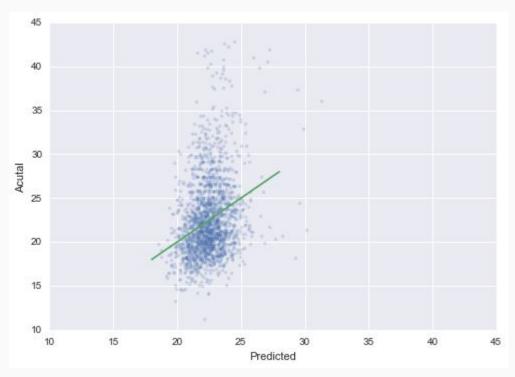
- Behavior features
 - Hobbies, exercise
 - Taught about diet/health in school?
 - Bullied at school?
 - Hours of sleep
- Race
- Census tract data:
 - Median household income
 - Urbanicity
 - Unemployment rate



GBM Regressor

- Classification of obesity more challenging when dealing with a range of children in their adolescence
- Model not predicting outliers well
- Median Household Income and hours of TV watching were the top features.





D3 Visualization

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