AllTheCode

load packages

```
# feature exploration engineering
library(tidyverse) # ggplot, dplyr
library(lubridate) # month()
library(gridExtra) # grid.arrange()
library(caret) # dummyVars()
# subset selection
library(glmnet) # lasso
library(randomForest) # for checking importance()
library(coefplot) # extract.coef()
# model
library(xgboost)
```

load data

```
train <- read_csv('training.csv')
test <- read_csv('test.csv')
test_id = test$id</pre>
```

preprocessing

creating high levels for Channel Features

```
attach(train)
train$Num_Subscribers_Base_high <- as.integer(Num_Subscribers_Base_low == 0 & Num_Subscribers_Base_low_strain$Num_Views_Base_high <- as.integer(Num_Views_Base_low == 0 & Num_Views_Base_low_mid == 0 & Num_Viettrain$avg_growth_high <- as.integer(avg_growth_low == 0 & avg_growth_low_mid == 0 & avg_growth_mid_high train$count_vids_high <- as.integer(count_vids_low == 0 & count_vids_low_mid == 0 & count_vids_mid_high detach(train)
attach(test)
test$Num_Subscribers_Base_high <- as.integer(Num_Subscribers_Base_low == 0 & Num_Subscribers_Base_low_m test$Num_Views_Base_high <- as.integer(Num_Views_Base_low == 0 & Num_Views_Base_low_mid == 0 & Num_View test$count_vids_high <- as.integer(count_vids_low == 0 & count_vids_low_mid == 0 & count_vids_mid_high test$avg_growth_high <- as.integer(avg_growth_low == 0 & avg_growth_low_mid == 0 & avg_growth_mid_high test$avg_growth_high <- as.integer(avg_growth_low == 0 & avg_growth_low_mid == 0 & avg_growth_mid_high test$avg_growth_high <- as.integer(avg_growth_low == 0 & avg_growth_low_mid == 0 & avg_growth_mid_high</pre>
```

converting datetime to numeric (and time-based features)

```
# split PublishedDate into date and time
train <- train %>% separate(PublishedDate,c("PublishedDate","PublishedTime"),sep = " ")
test <- test %>% separate(PublishedDate,c("PublishedDate","PublishedTime"),sep = " ")
train$PublishedDate <- strptime(train$PublishedDate, "%m/%d/%Y")</pre>
```

```
train$PublishedTime <- strptime(train$PublishedTime, "%H:%M")</pre>
test$PublishedDate <- strptime(test$PublishedDate, "%m/%d/%Y")</pre>
test$PublishedTime <- strptime(test$PublishedTime, "%H:%M")</pre>
# convert time to mins since midnight (numeric)
MinsSince1 <- as.integer(train$PublishedTime - min(train$PublishedTime))/60 # store as minutes
train <- cbind(MinsSince1,train)</pre>
MinsSince1 <- as.integer(test$PublishedTime - min(test$PublishedTime))/60 # store as minutes
test <- cbind(MinsSince1,test)</pre>
# and date to days since first day (numeric)
DaysSince1 <- as.integer(train$PublishedDate - min(train$PublishedDate))/86400 # store as days
train <- cbind(DaysSince1,train)</pre>
DaysSince1 <- as.integer(test$PublishedDate - min(test$PublishedDate))/86400 # store as days
test <- cbind(DaysSince1,test)</pre>
# creat hour bins (4 hours per bin)
train$bin_hour <- as.factor(train$MinsSince1 %/% 240)</pre>
test$bin_hour <- as.factor(test$MinsSince1 %/% 240)
# one-hot encode hour bins
dmy <- dummyVars(" ~ bin_hour", data = train)</pre>
trsf <- data.frame(predict(dmy, newdata = train))</pre>
train <- cbind(train,trsf)</pre>
dmy <- dummyVars(" ~ bin hour", data = test)</pre>
trsf <- data.frame(predict(dmy, newdata = test))</pre>
test <- cbind(test,trsf)</pre>
# create month
train$month <- as.factor(month(as.Date(train$PublishedDate)))</pre>
test$month <- as.factor(month(as.Date(test$PublishedDate)))</pre>
# one-hot encode month
dmy <- dummyVars(" ~ month", data = train)</pre>
trsf <- data.frame(predict(dmy, newdata = train))</pre>
train <- cbind(train,trsf)</pre>
dmy <- dummyVars(" ~ month", data = test)</pre>
trsf <- data.frame(predict(dmy, newdata = test))</pre>
test <- cbind(test,trsf)</pre>
train$month <- as.integer(train$month)</pre>
test$month <- as.integer(test$month)</pre>
# day of week
train$day_of_week <- weekdays(as.Date(train$PublishedDate))</pre>
test$day_of_week <- weekdays(as.Date(test$PublishedDate))</pre>
# one hot encode DoW
dmy <- dummyVars(" ~ day_of_week", data = train)</pre>
trsf <- data.frame(predict(dmy, newdata = train))</pre>
train <- cbind(train,trsf)</pre>
dmy <- dummyVars(" ~ day_of_week", data = test)</pre>
trsf <- data.frame(predict(dmy, newdata = test))</pre>
test <- cbind(test,trsf)</pre>
```

creating title features

```
# avg word length
train$avg_word_length <- train$num_chars/train$num_words
test$avg_word_length <- test$num_chars/test$num_words
# number of non-stopwords
train$num_non_stopwords <- train$num_words - train$num_stopwords
test$num_non_stopwords <- test$num_words - test$num_stopwords
# proportion of non-stopwords
train$p_non_stopwords <- train$num_non_stopwords/train$num_words
test$p_non_stopwords <- test$num_non_stopwords/test$num_words
# proportion of digit chars
train$p_digit_chars <- train$num_digit_chars/train$num_chars
test$p_digit_chars <- test$num_digit_chars/test$num_chars
# whether a title has a word with multiple capital letters
train$all_cap <- as.integer(train$num_uppercase_chars > train$num_uppercase_words) # (more uppercase chass)
```

converting some punctuation to binary

the only punctuation predictors in our final model were: punc_num_at punc_num_bar_bi and punc_num_com

```
# had some difficulties with special characters, so renamed them
train <- train %>% rename(`punc_num_fs` = "punc_num_/",
                           `punc_num_bs` = "punc_num_\\",
                           `punc_num_col` = "punc_num_:",
                           `punc_num_bar` = "punc_num_|",
                            `punc_num_exc` = "punc_num_!",
                           `punc_num_num` = "punc_num_#",
                           `punc_num_pls` = "punc_num_+",
                           `punc_num_par_l` = "punc_num_(",
                            `punc_num_par_r` = "punc_num_)",
                           `punc_num_at` = "punc_num_@",
                           `punc_num_eql` = "punc_num_=",
                           `punc_num_q` = "punc_num_?",
                            punc_num_dol = "punc_num_$",
                           `punc_num_pct` = "punc_num_%",
                           `punc_num_com` = "punc_num_,",
                            `punc_num_semi` = "punc_num_;",
                            `punc_num_dash` = "<mark>punc_num_-"</mark>,
                            `punc_num_dot` = "punc_num_.",
                           `punc_num_brk_l` = "punc_num_[",
                            `punc_num_crl_l` = "punc_num_{",
                           `punc_num_brk_r` = "punc_num_]",
                           `punc_num_crl_r` = "punc_num_}",
                           `punc_num_leq` = "punc_num_<",
                            punc_num_geq = "punc_num_>",
                           `punc_num_crt` = "punc_num_^",
                           `punc num and` = "punc num &",
                           `punc_num_dquo` = 'punc_num_"',
                            `punc_num_squo` = "punc_num_'",
                            `punc_num_bktk` = "punc_num_`",
                           `punc_num_ast` = "punc_num_*",
```

```
`punc_num_tld` = "punc_num_~"
# names(train)[235]
test <- test %>% rename(`punc_num_fs` = "punc_num_/",
                        `punc_num_bs` = "punc_num_\\",
                         `punc_num_col` = "punc_num_:",
                        `punc_num_bar` = "punc_num_|",
                        `punc_num_exc` = "punc_num_!",
                        `punc_num_num` = "punc_num_#",
                         `punc_num_pls` = "punc_num_+",
                        `punc_num_par_l` = "punc_num_(",
                        `punc_num_par_r` = "punc_num_)",
                        `punc_num_at` = "punc_num_0",
                        `punc_num_eql` = "punc_num_=",
                        `punc_num_q` = "punc_num_?",
                        `punc_num_dol` = "punc_num_$",
                        `punc_num_pct` = "punc_num_%",
                         `punc_num_com` = "punc_num_,",
                        `punc_num_semi` = "punc_num_;",
                        `punc_num_dash` = "punc_num_-",
                        `punc_num_dot` = "punc_num_.",
                        `punc_num_brk_l` = "punc_num_[",
                        `punc_num_crl_l` = "punc_num_{",
                        `punc_num_brk_r` = "punc_num_]",
                         `punc_num_crl_r` = "punc_num_}",
                        `punc_num_leq` = "punc_num_<",
                        'punc num geq' = "punc num >",
                        `punc_num_crt` = "punc_num_^",
                        `punc_num_and` = "punc_num_&",
                        `punc_num_dquo` = 'punc_num_"',
                        `punc_num_squo` = "punc_num_'",
                        `punc_num_bktk` = "punc_num_`",
                         `punc_num_ast` = "punc_num_*",
                         `punc_num_tld` = "punc_num_~"
# we found these values by checking whether there was a significant difference
# in growth_2_6 for the most common punctuations (so cutoff somewhat subjective)
train$punc_num_bar_bi <- as.integer(train$punc_num_bar == 1) # eq 1 is opt
test$punc_num_bar_bi <- as.integer(test$punc_num_bar == 1) # eq 1 is opt
```

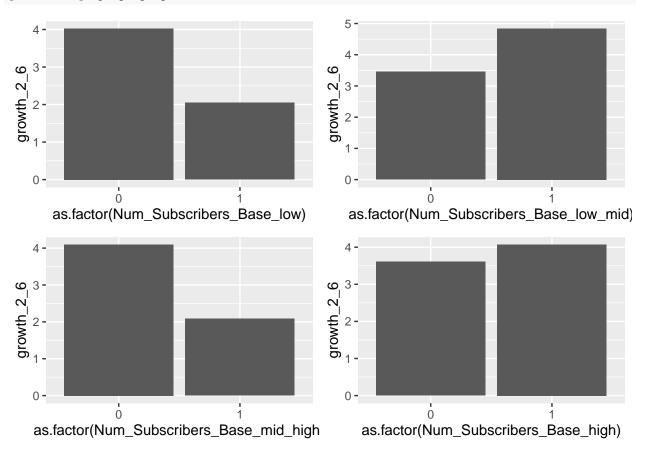
other features

```
# convert duration to binary
train$Duration2 <- as.integer(train$Duration > 6000)
test$Duration2 <- as.integer(test$Duration > 6000)
```

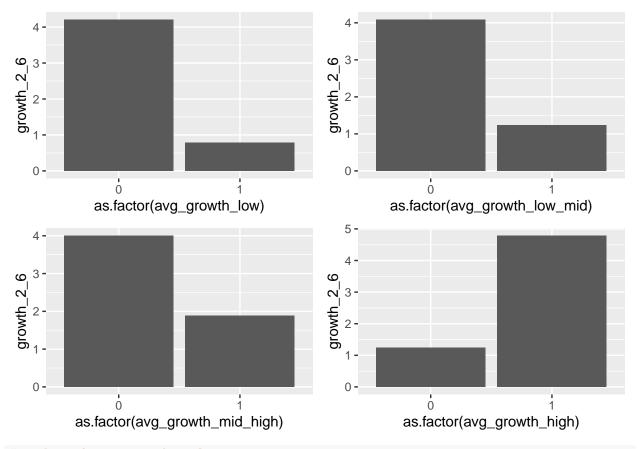
exploring features

```
# subscribers
p1 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(Num_Subscribers_Base_low),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean"
p2 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(Num_Subscribers_Base_low_mid),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean"
p3 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(Num_Subscribers_Base_mid_high),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean")</pre>
```

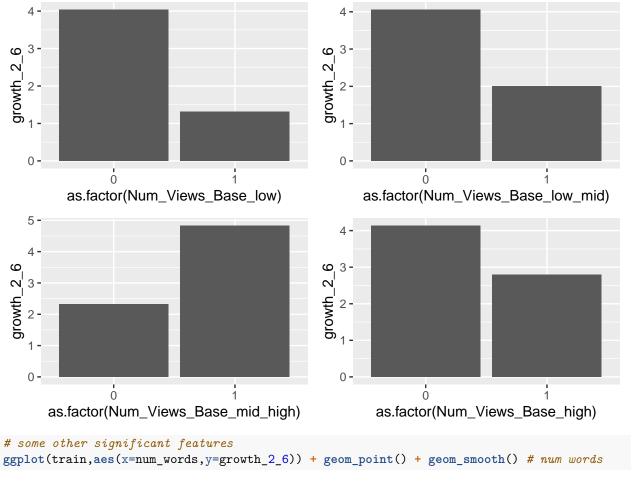
p4 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(Num_Subscribers_Base_high),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean grid.arrange(p1,p2,p3,p4,nrow=2)

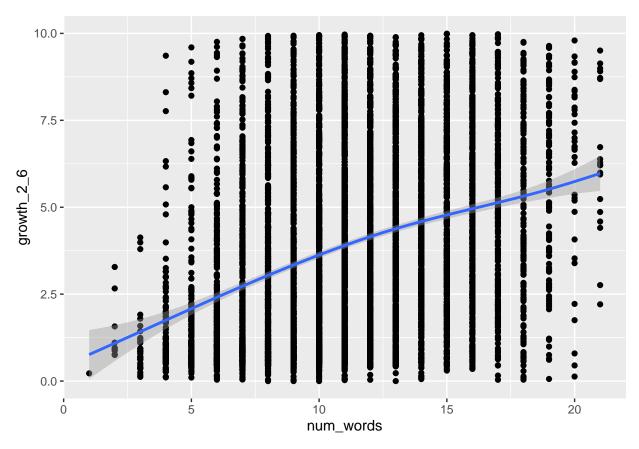


average growth
p1 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(avg_growth_low),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom = "
p2 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(avg_growth_low_mid),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom
p3 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(avg_growth_mid_high),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom
p4 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(avg_growth_high),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom = grid.arrange(p1,p2,p3,p4,nrow=2) # growth highest for high avg_growth</pre>



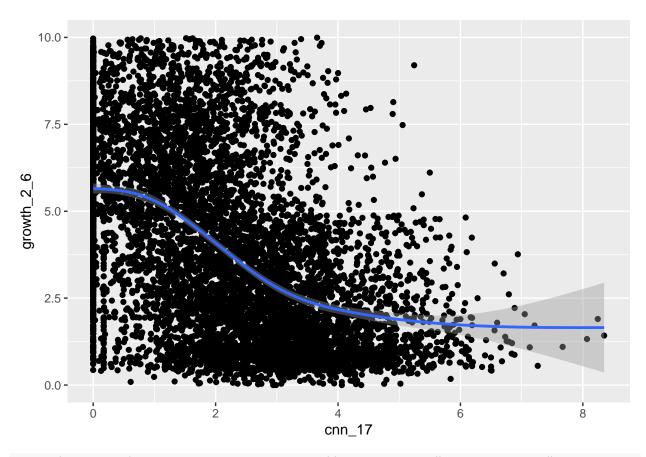
number of views on channel
p1 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(Num_Views_Base_low),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom
p2 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(Num_Views_Base_low_mid),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean",
p3 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(Num_Views_Base_mid_high),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean",
p4 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=as.factor(Num_Views_Base_high),y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean", georgrid.arrange(p1,p2,p3,p4,nrow=2) # growth highest for Num_Views_Base_mid_high (too high is not good)</pre>



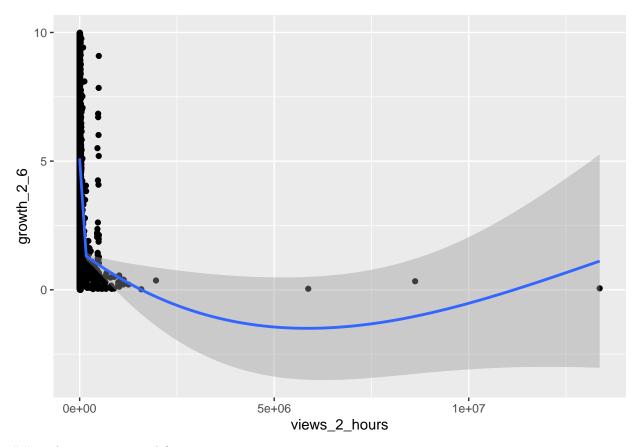


ggplot(train,aes(x=cnn_17,y=growth_2_6)) + geom_point() + geom_smooth() # cnn_17

$geom_smooth()$ using method = gam' and formula $y \sim s(x, bs = "cs")'$



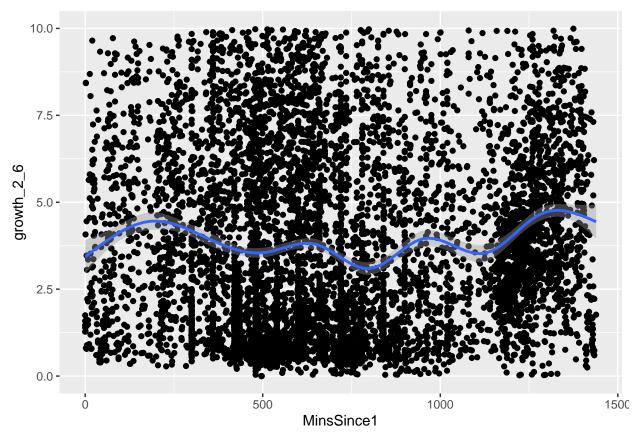
ggplot(train,aes(x=views_2_hours,y=growth_2_6)) + geom_point() + geom_smooth() # views_2_hours
`geom_smooth()` using method = 'gam' and formula 'y ~ s(x, bs = "cs")'



exploring our created features

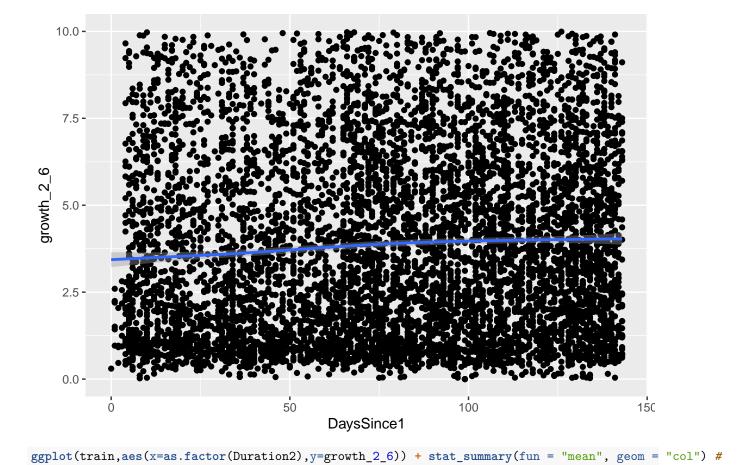
```
# numeric date and time, and binary duration
ggplot(train,aes(x=MinsSince1,y=growth_2_6)) + geom_point() + geom_smooth()
```

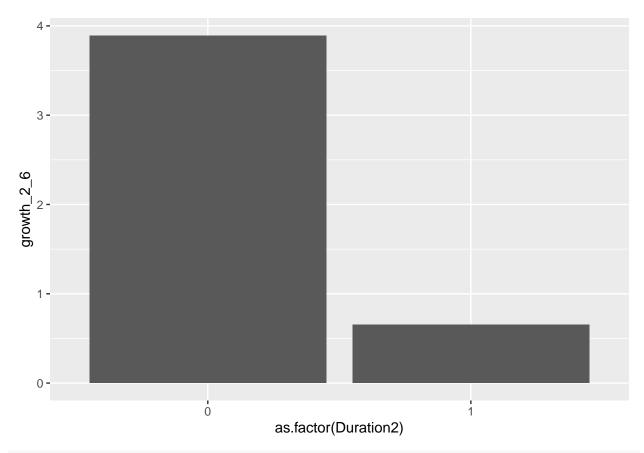
$geom_smooth()$ using method = gam' and formula $y \sim s(x, bs = "cs")'$



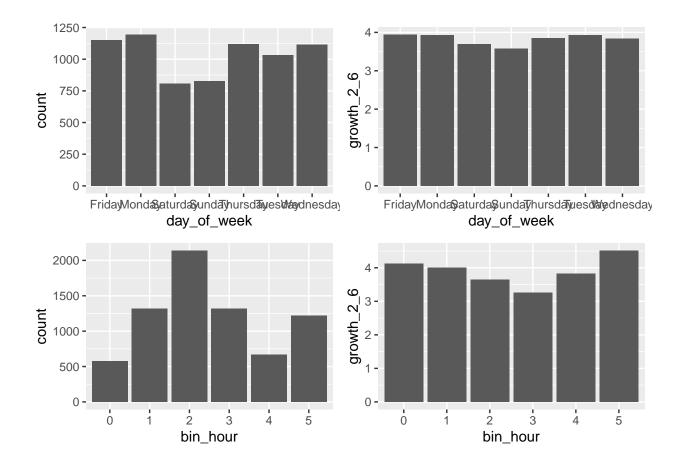
ggplot(train,aes(x=DaysSince1,y=growth_2_6)) + geom_point() + geom_smooth()

$geom_smooth()$ using method = gam' and formula $y \sim s(x, bs = "cs")$





```
# day of week
p1 <- ggplot(train) + geom_bar(aes(x=day_of_week)) # lower uploads on saturday and sunday, Mondays, Fri
p2 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=day_of_week,y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom = "col")# geom_ba
# hour of day
p3 <- ggplot(train) + geom_bar(aes(x=bin_hour)) # upload time dist
p4 <- ggplot(train,aes(x=bin_hour,y=growth_2_6)) + stat_summary(fun = "mean", geom = "col")#+ geom_bar(grid.arrange(p1,p2,p3,p4,nrow=2)</pre>
```



variable selection

first remove all non-numeric features

```
train <- train %>% select(-c(PublishedDate,PublishedTime,day_of_week,bin_hour))
# and move growth to last col
train <- train %>% relocate(growth_2_6, .after = last_col())
```

RFE subselect

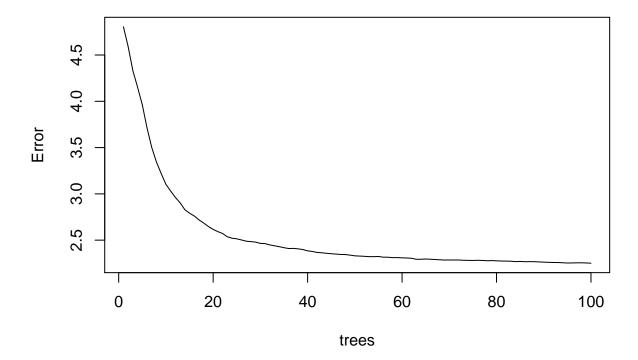
```
# the code takes hours to run
# so we have commented it out
# set.seed(22)
# subsets <- c(30:40)
# control <- rfeControl(functions=rfFuncs,</pre>
#
                          method="cv",
#
                          number=10,
#
                          verbose=T)
\# x \leftarrow train[,-which(colnames(train)=="growth_2_6")]
# y <- as.matrix(train[,which(colnames(train)=="growth_2_6")])</pre>
# rfe_sub <- rfe(x,y,
#
                  sizes=subsets,
#
                  rfeControl = control)
```

```
# # final variables
# paste(rfe_sub$optVariables,collapse = " ")
```

RF importance

[1] "avg_growth_high cnn_10 cnn_86 cnn_89 Num_Subscribers_Base_low_mid cnn_17 views_2_hours cnn_25 N
plot(rf_fit)

rf_fit



```
## [1] "(Intercept) avg_growth_high Num_Subscribers_Base_low_mid hog_116 punc_num_bktk hog_454 hog_641
```

final set of predictors chosen from above 3 methods

```
subset <- unlist(strsplit("avg_growth_high avg_growth_low avg_growth_low_mid avg_growth_mid_high bin_ho
train <- train[c(subset,"growth_2_6")]</pre>
```

creating model

Split train and test

Format data for XGBoost

```
# xgboost requires data as matrix, and response separated from predictors
trainm <- train %>% dplyr::select(-c(growth_2_6)) %>% as.matrix()
train_label <- as.matrix(train[,"growth_2_6"])
train_matrix <- xgb.DMatrix(data = as.matrix(trainm),label = train_label)

# do same for valid
validm <- valid %>% dplyr::select(-growth_2_6) %>% as.matrix()
valid_label <- as.matrix(valid[,"growth_2_6"])
valid_matrix <- xgb.DMatrix(data = as.matrix(validm),label = valid_label)</pre>
```

Parameter tuning through cv

```
seed.number = sample.int(10000, 1)[[1]] # also set random seed
  set.seed(seed.number)
  cv.nround = 100 # need to cv on enough rounds too
  cv.nfold = 5
  xgb_cv <- xgb.cv(params = xgb_params,</pre>
                 data = train_matrix,
                 nrounds = cv.nround,
                 nfold = cv.nfold,
                 early_stopping_rounds = 8, # stop if rmse does not decrease in 8 rounds
                 maximize = F, # minimizing RMSE
                 verbose=F)
  min_RMSE = min(xgb_cv$evaluation_log[, test_rmse_mean]) # find minumum RMSE of n rounds
  min_RMSE_index = which.min(xgb_cv$evaluation_log[, test_rmse_mean]) # index of min RMSE
  if (min_RMSE < best_RMSE) {</pre>
      best_RMSE = min_RMSE
      best_RMSE_index = min_RMSE_index
      best_seednumber = seed.number
     best_param = xgb_params
  if(iter \frac{1}{5} = 0){
   print(paste("Completed iteration ", iter))
   print(paste("Stopped at ", best_RMSE_index))
   print(paste("Current best RMSE ", best_RMSE))
  }
}
## [1] "Completed iteration 5"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4617234"
## [1] "Completed iteration 10"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4617234"
## [1] "Completed iteration 15"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4525334"
## [1] "Completed iteration 20"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4525334"
## [1] "Completed iteration 25"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4525334"
## [1] "Completed iteration 30"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4525334"
## [1] "Completed iteration 35"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4525334"
## [1] "Completed iteration 40"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4525334"
## [1] "Completed iteration 45"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
```

```
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4525334"
## [1] "Completed iteration 50"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4525334"
## [1] "Completed iteration 55"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 60"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 65"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 70"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 75"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 80"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 85"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 90"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 95"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
## [1] "Completed iteration 100"
## [1] "Stopped at 100"
## [1] "Current best RMSE 1.4511512"
best seednumber
## [1] 557
best_RMSE_index # number of rounds with best RMSE
## [1] 100
best_param # best parameter values for that round
## $objective
## [1] "reg:squarederror"
##
## $eval_metric
## [1] "rmse"
##
## $eta
## [1] 0.07636546
##
## $lambda
## [1] 1.920363
```

```
##
## $gamma
## [1] 0.04588421
##
## $subsample
## [1] 0.763911
##
## $colsample_bytree
## [1] 0.6528408
##
## $min_child_weight
## [1] 16
```

Create model with tuned parameters

```
## [1]
        train-rmse:3.980966 test-rmse:3.940549
  [2]
        train-rmse:3.730891 test-rmse:3.690175
   [3]
        train-rmse:3.502533 test-rmse:3.461638
##
  ۲4٦
        train-rmse:3.293606 test-rmse:3.252409
  [5]
        train-rmse:3.103177 test-rmse:3.062833
        train-rmse: 2.928995 test-rmse: 2.889175
##
  [6]
  [7]
        train-rmse: 2.769187 test-rmse: 2.727262
## [8]
        train-rmse: 2.627423 test-rmse: 2.586733
## [9]
        train-rmse: 2.499185 test-rmse: 2.457024
## [10] train-rmse:2.382979 test-rmse:2.340647
## [11] train-rmse:2.276610 test-rmse:2.234018
## [12] train-rmse:2.177235 test-rmse:2.135351
## [13] train-rmse:2.088336 test-rmse:2.046504
## [14] train-rmse:2.007513 test-rmse:1.964225
## [15] train-rmse:1.937313 test-rmse:1.892909
## [16] train-rmse:1.873425 test-rmse:1.828277
## [17] train-rmse:1.817077 test-rmse:1.770338
## [18] train-rmse:1.763414 test-rmse:1.717383
## [19] train-rmse:1.715310 test-rmse:1.670209
## [20] train-rmse:1.672044 test-rmse:1.624511
## [21] train-rmse:1.635366 test-rmse:1.586885
## [22] train-rmse:1.601085 test-rmse:1.552493
## [23] train-rmse:1.571411 test-rmse:1.523751
## [24] train-rmse:1.543327 test-rmse:1.495741
## [25] train-rmse:1.518790 test-rmse:1.470045
## [26] train-rmse:1.495421 test-rmse:1.446694
## [27] train-rmse:1.475356 test-rmse:1.425706
## [28] train-rmse:1.455188 test-rmse:1.406342
## [29] train-rmse:1.437881 test-rmse:1.388505
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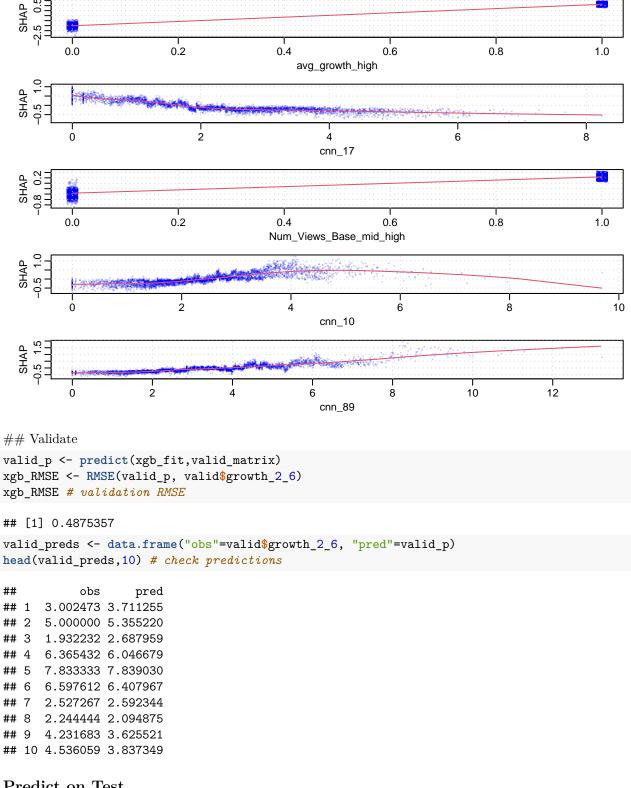
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Variable importance

```
xgb.plot.shap(data=trainm,model=xgb fit,top n=5)
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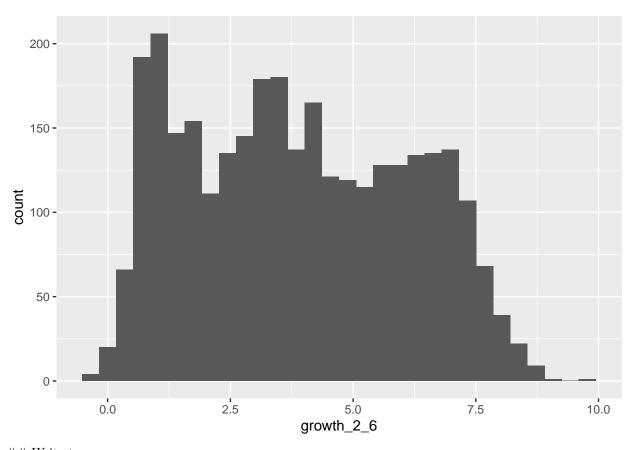


Predict on Test

```
# format test for XGB
test <- test[subset]</pre>
testm <- as.matrix(test)</pre>
```

```
dtest <- xgb.DMatrix(data = testm)</pre>
# make prediction
preds <- predict(xgb_fit,newdata = dtest)</pre>
df <- data.frame("id" = test_id, "growth_2_6" = preds)</pre>
head(df)
##
       id growth_2_6
## 1 7242
            5.984253
## 2 7243
            2.693341
## 3 7244
            1.513965
## 4 7245
            7.111295
            4.837350
## 5 7246
## 6 7247
            2.732717
# check distribution of predictions
ggplot(df) + geom_histogram(aes(x=growth_2_6))
```

`stat_bin()` using `bins = 30`. Pick better value with `binwidth`.



Write to csv

write.csv(df,"sub_4f.csv", row.names = FALSE)