# Predictive Modeling Week 14

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## 1 Introduction to Predictive Modeling

#### 1.1 Course Evaluations

# **ATTENTION STUDENTS:**

The SDSU School of Public Health needs your feedback!

April 21-May 2 are the School of Public Health's (SPH) Assessment Weeks

For accreditation and strategic planning, SPH is required to survey its students on an annual basis. We need to hear from all students about ways to continue to improve the school.

All responses will be confidential.

- Students will be e-mailed 1-2 brief surveys between April 21-May 2, with 2 completion reminders
  - · All students will receive the SPH Student Survey (hint: search the word "survey" in your email to find it)
  - Graduating students will also receive the Graduating Student Survey
- Done with your surveys? Take a moment to create or update your LinkedIn profile! Graduating? Please also join our Alumni email list.
  - Join our LinkedIn SPH Alumni group by searching "SDSU SPH Alumni" in LinkedIn or scanning the QR Code below
  - SIgn up for our alumni email list using your personal email address: https://publichealth.sdsu.edu/alumni/mailing-list or with QR code

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Questions?

## 1.2 Packages

**SDSU** 

Classification and Regression Training

• library(caret)

Tidymodels Framework for Rapid Model Development

- library(tidymodels)
  - library(rsample)
  - library(parsnip)
  - library(yardstick)
  - library(recipes)

Tidymodels Parameter Tuning

• library(tune)

Post-processing of Model Predictions

• library(probably)

R Package Development Tools

• library(devtools)

User-Written Package for Supervised Variable Selection

- library(colino)
  - Install with: devtools::install\_github("stevenpawley/colino")

#### 1.3 Background

- Predictions are statements about the future
- Predictive modeling is the process of using input data to calculate probabilities for future events
- **Predictive analytics** is a framework that involves the perpetual engineering of data, evaluation of significance, and generation of predictions across a variety of disciplines
- Types of predictive models:
  - Forecasting
  - Classification

# 1.4 Ubiquity of Predictive Models

- Framingham Risk Score for CHD
- APACHE II Score for ICU Mortality
- 5- and 10-minute APGAR Scores and Cerebal Palsy
- Bone Mineral Density Test for 10-year Fracture Risk
- Breast Cancer Risk Assessment Tool

And pretty much any other clinical outcome...

Visit https://www.mdcalc.com/ for other examples.

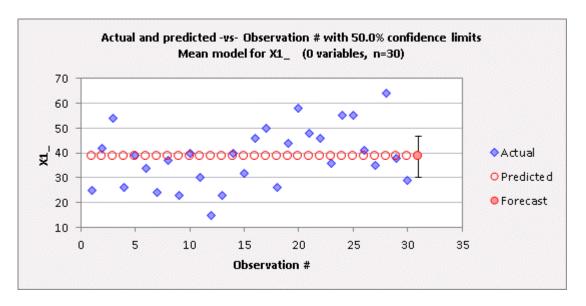
## 1.5 Method Categories

- Any statistical process can be used to make a predictions!
- True predictive models have unique methods added

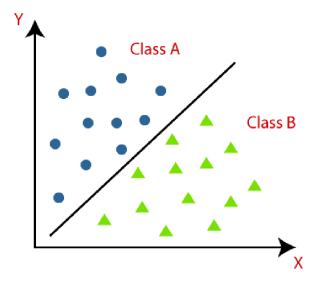
Method	Purpose	Туре		
Linear Regression	Regression	Parametric		
Logistic Regression	Classification	Parametric		
Decision Tree	Both Non-Parametr			
Random Forest	Both	Non-Parametric		
Support Vector Machine (SVM)	Both	Non-Parametric		
k-Nearest Neighbors (k-NN)	Both	Non-Parametric		
Naive Bayes	Classification	Parametric		
Neural Networks	Both	Parametric		
Gradient Boosting Machines	Both	Non-Parametric		
Gaussian Processes	Both	Non-Parametric		
Lasso / Ridge Regression	Regression	Parametric		
Cox Proportional Hazards Model	Classification	Semi-Parametri		
Kaplan-Meier Estimator	Both	Non-Parametric		
Accelerated Failure Time (AFT)	Both	Parametric		
Random Survival Forest	Classification	Non-Parametric		
DeepSurv (Neural Net Survival)	Both	Parametric		

## 1.6 Regression vs. Classification

Regression is **forecasting**.



Classification is labeling.



#### 1.7 Focus on Classification

Logistic Regression

$$ln(\frac{p_{event}}{p_{1-event}}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1(x_1) + \beta_2(x_2) + \ldots + \beta_i(x_i)$$

Cox Regression

$$h(t) = h_0(t) * e^{\beta_1(x_1) + \beta_2(x_2) + \ldots + \beta_i(x_i)}$$

Given a set of inputs (i.e. the  $x_i$  variables), calculate the relative contributions of each to determine their event status.

In real terms:

Given a set of clinical factors, generate a prediction for a disease that you can apply to real patients.

#### 1.8 Practical Assumptions

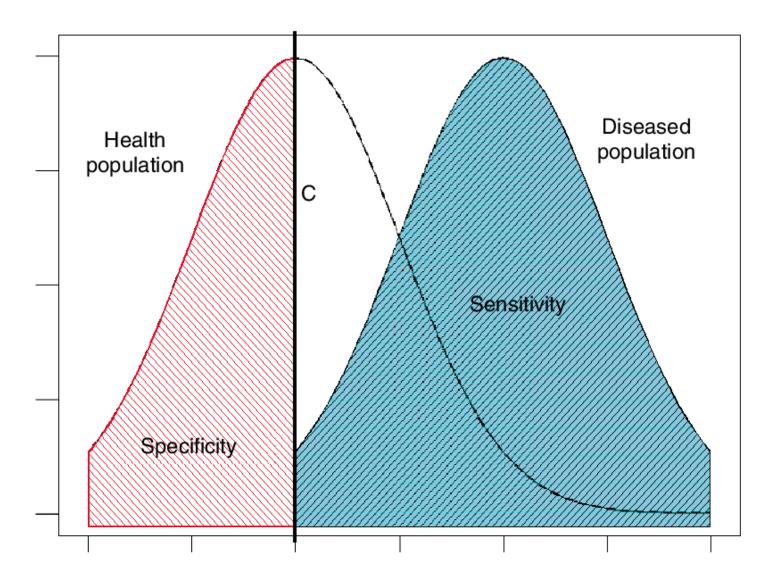
- The outcome represents a true public health threat
- Advance warning can mitigate health effects and consequences
- There is benefit in isolating a "best set" of risk factors
- Well-defined "at-risk" study population
- The model is feasible and easy to apply

### 1.9 Methodological Concerns

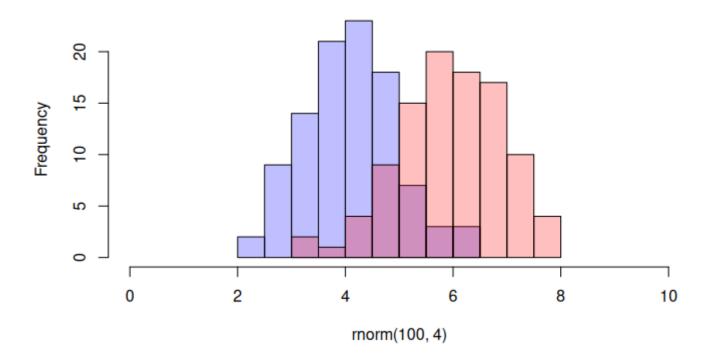
- Predicted outcome probabilities can only be between 0% and 100%
- Predictions must be valid and generalizable!
- Changes in data source or sample should still yield reasonable results
- There is no "perfect" model; errors and accuracy will vary
- Risk factors have been thoroughly researched
- Risk factors can be accurately measured

#### 1.10 Measures of Interest

- Accuracy/Performance
  - Sensitivity
  - Specificity
- Calibration
  - Model Fitness
  - Tuning



# 1.11 Predicted Value Thresholds



# 1.12 On Accuracy and Calibration

Avoid data-driven circular reasoning!





- Models that are created with a dataset usually *perform* well in that same dataset
- Similarly, variables selected for a model in a dataset already fit the data
- Independent samples for model development and evaluation avoids the circular logic

## 1.13 Option 1: Creating Data Subsamples

Before model development:

- Split source data into subsets
- At least two subsets are needed:

#### 1. Training Set (aka Development Set)

#### 2. Validation Set

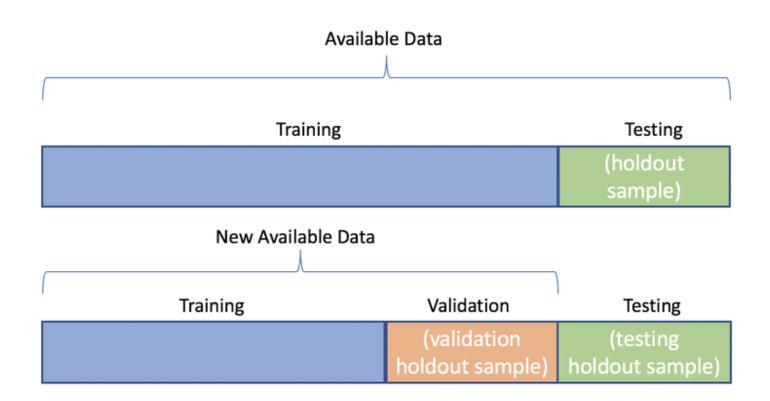
A separate, isolated, or independent dataset can also be retained to further test the compiled model.

#### 3. Test Set

The test set usually contains a more heterogeneous sample than the development/validation sets.

#### 1.14 Subsample Purposes

Training/Development	Validation	Test
Sample characterization	Parameter tuning	Alternate sample statistics
Variable selection	$Model\ performance$	$Final\ performance$
Model development	$Internal\ validity$	$External\ validity$
Model fitness	Scoring fitness evaluation	
Score creation		



#### 1.15 Option 2: Cross-validation

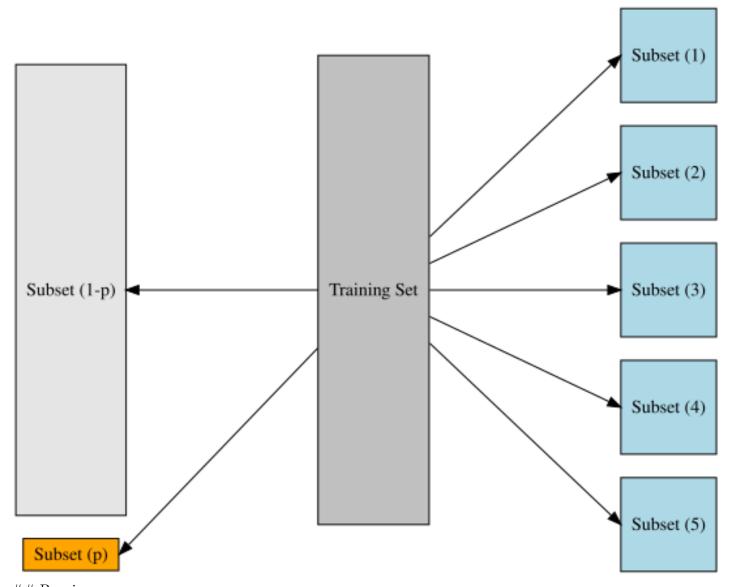
An alternative to manual creation of training and validation sets.

Cross-validation evaluates the average performance of a model when different subsets are hidden

Different variable combinations can be evaluated to maximize average performance.

Leave-p-out Cross-validation

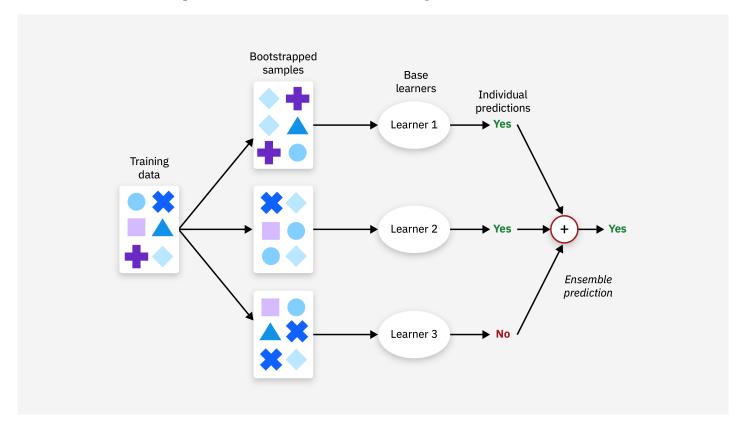
 $k ext{-}fold\ Cross-validation$ 



## Bagging

- Bagging stands for "Bootstrap-Aggregation"
- Resembles Leave-p-out cross-validation in subsample generation ONLY
- $\bullet$  Can be manually performed but typically executed as a  $machine\ learning\ algorithm$
- Ensemble learning strategy for model development
  - Combines different model types to generate predictions (i.e. Cox Model and Logistic Model)
  - Variable coefficients and predictions are averaged across all models

• Focuses on an averaged model that minimizes variance in predictions



# 1.16 Measuring (Classifier) Performance

- Area Under the Receiver Operating Characteristic (AUROC) curve
- Harrell's Concordance Statistic

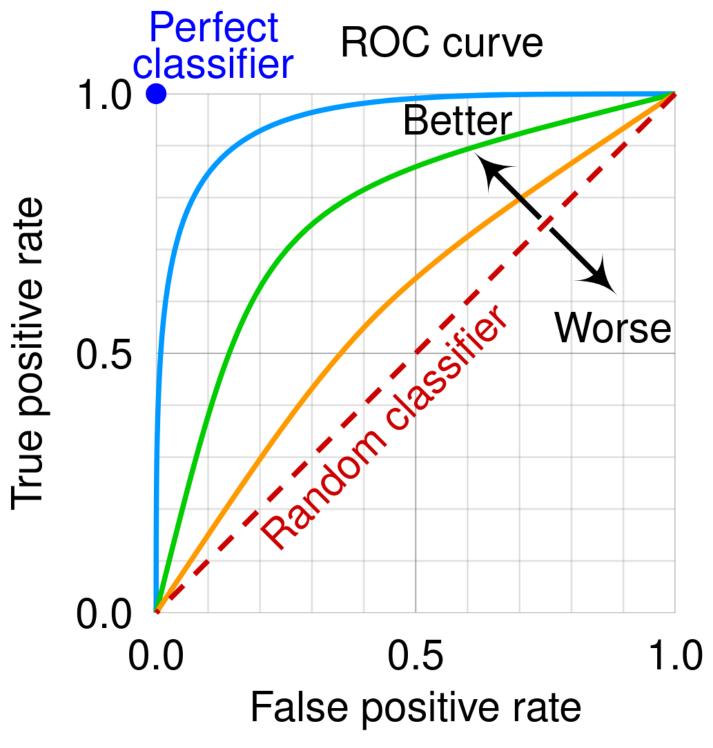


Figure 1: Y-axis is Sensitivity; X-axis is 1-Specificity

#### Ranges from 0-100%, but:

- 0-50% is negative classification
- 50-100% is positive classification

• 50% represents a random "coin flip" probability

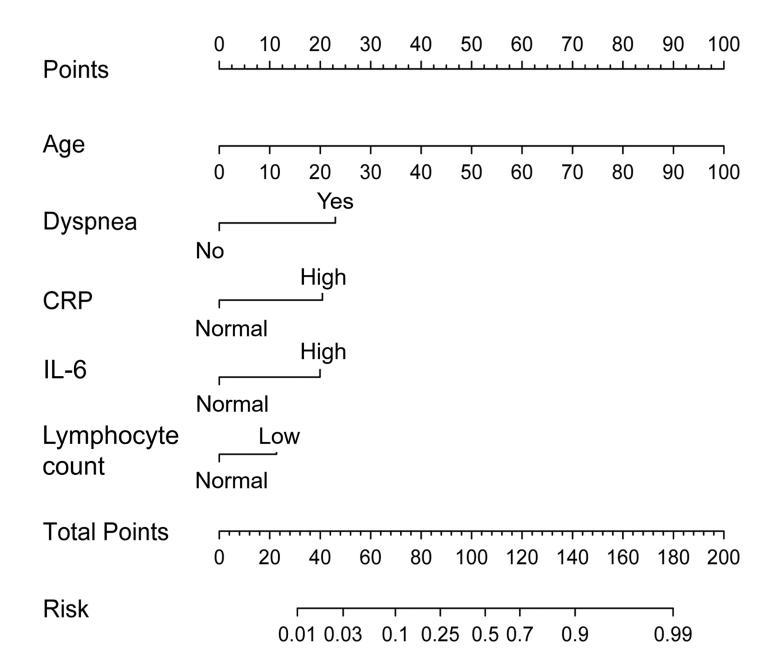
## 1.17 Translation

Conversion of the model results into a practical system.

# Point-based Scoring

Variable	$\beta$ Estimate	Score
diabetes	0.5	1
depression	1.0	2
anxiety	1.8	3.6
smoking	2.5	5

# ${\bf Nomogram}$



#### 1.18 Calibration

Calibration is fitness!

Most common method: Hosmer-Lemeshow Goodness-of-Fit

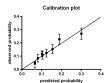


Table 4: Assumes 500 events in study sample

Risk Quantile	Observed	Expected
0 - 10%	4	5
11 - $20%$	20	15
21 - $30%$	29	25
31 - $40%$	32	35
41 - $50%$	41	45
51 - $60%$	52	55
61 - $70%$	63	65
71 - $80%$	74	75
81 - $90%$	86	85
91 - 100%	99	95

#### 1.19 Caveats & Considerations

Monotonicity - Risk factors must affect risk in only one direction.

Independence - Observations (and their measurements) must not be associated with each other.

Orthogonality - Risk factors must not be significantly correlated to each other.

**Parsimony** - Predictive models should not be overly complex and cumbersome to use.

Main considerations before using R:

- What is your outcome of interest?
- Do you have time-to-event?
- What type of independent variables do you have access to?
- Variable selection strategy?
- How will you calculate accuracy?

#### 1.20 Subsetting Data Commands

```
library(rsample)
set.seed(20250430)

var_subselection <- df %>%
    select(stay_id, gender, disposition, alzheimer, trauma, visual, edloshrs, temperature:acuity, card
subsets.tagged <- initial_validation_split(var_subselection, prop = c(0.5, 0.25))

train <- training(subsets.tagged)</pre>
```

```
valid <- validation(subsets.tagged)
test <- testing(subsets.tagged)</pre>
```

set.seed() establishes the psuedo-random number generation when allocating participants to data subsets
initial\_validation\_split() tags observations to be distributed to each of the subsets:

- training() allocates tagged observations for the Training Set (50% of df)
- validation() allocates tagged observations for the Validation Set (25% of df)
- testing() allocates the remaining observations for the Testing Set (100% 50% 25% = 25% of df)

#### 1.21 Using Tidymodels

```
library(tidymodels)
show_engines(x)
```

tidymodels framework contains several additional subpackages
show\_engines() provides you with a list of model types and categories from the parsnip subpackage
Options for x include:

Model Function	Mode(s)
linear_reg	regression
logistic_reg	classification
decision_tree	classification, regression
rand_forest	classification, regression
boost_tree	classification, regression
svm_linear	classification, regression
svm_rbf	classification, regression
svm_poly	classification, regression
nearest_neighbor	classification, regression
mlp	classification, regression
mars	regression
naive_Bayes	classification
multinom_reg	classification
poisson_reg	regression
<pre>proportional_hazards</pre>	censored regression
surv_reg	censored regression

#### 1.22 Model Selection

#### library(tidymodels)

```
-- Attaching packages -----
                                     ----- tidymodels 1.3.0 --
v broom
             1.0.8
                      v recipes
                                   1.3.0
v dials
             1.4.0
                     v tune
                                    1.3.0
v infer
             1.0.8
                      v workflows
                                   1.2.0
v modeldata
             1.4.0
                      v workflowsets 1.1.0
             1.3.1
                                    1.3.2
v parsnip
                      v yardstick
-- Conflicts -----
                              x dplyr::between()
                   masks data.table::between()
x scales::discard() masks purrr::discard()
x dplyr::filter()
                   masks stats::filter()
x dplyr::first()
                   masks data.table::first()
x recipes::fixed()
                   masks stringr::fixed()
x dplyr::lag()
                   masks stats::lag()
x dplyr::last()
                   masks data.table::last()
x yardstick::spec() masks readr::spec()
x recipes::step()
                   masks stats::step()
x purrr::transpose() masks data.table::transpose()
show_engines("logistic_reg")
```

#### 1.23 Outcome Assessment

Model development must be performed in the training set.

Important to check outcome frequency to verify statistical power.

```
train %>%
  count(disposition) %>%
  mutate(dispPerc = n/sum(n))
```

```
disposition n dispPerc <fctr> <int> <fctr> <int> < 35484 0.5417735</td>

2: HOME 30012 0.4582265
```

In the training set, 54.1% were admitted and 45.8% were sent home.

#### 1.24 Specifying Models

```
logit_model <- logistic_reg(mode = "classification") %>% set_engine("glm")
model.null <- logit_model %>% fit(disposition ~ 1, data = train)
```

logit\_model is an object that holds the parameters of the model you want to use

```
- `logistic_reg()` is the selected model
```

- `mode = "classification"` sets the modeling type
- `set\_engine("glm")` tells R to use the  $\glm()$ ` function to calculate the model

model.null stores the model output based on the parameters provided

- `logit\_model` is the previously defined object
- `fit()` directs R to the variables and data frame used for model calculation
- `disposition  $\sim$  1` is the standard formula notation for R, with a constant of 1 instead of covariat

#### 1.25 Null Model Classification Accuracy

The yardstick package contains functions to measure accuracy.

Null model accuracy establishes a baseline for prediction.

#### 1.25.1 Storing Predictions

```
library(yardstick)

pred.null <- train %>%
    select(disposition) %>%
    bind_cols(predict(model.null, new_data = train, type = "class") %>%
    rename(disposition_null = .pred_class)
)
```

pred.null is a mini-data frame that will store the predicted probabilities from model.null and compare them to the observed events

bind\_cols() adds columns from one object to another

- predict() calculates predicted probabilities based on parameters provided: a model, a data frame,
- rename() is the standard dplyr command that changes the default variable name stub .pred\_class to disposition\_null
- `disposition\_null` is the column name containing the predicted outcome from the predicted probabil

accuracy() is a function from yardstick that compares predictions to observations

- `data = pred.null` is the mini-data frame with predictions
- `truth =` tells R which column holds the "true" observed outcome
- `estimate =` tells R which column holds the predicted outcome

#### 1.25.2 Confusion Matrix

```
Truth
Prediction ADMITTED HOME
ADMITTED 35484 30012
HOME 0 0
```

• conf mat() displays the confusion matrix between truth and predicted

The null model does not contain any variables and predicts everyone will be "ADMITTED".

Per the accuracy measure, it is correct 53.9% of the time because 53.9% of the training data is "ADMITTED".

#### 1.26 Model Development

Development can be manual or automated.

```
logit.m1 <- logit_model %>% fit(disposition ~ acuity, data = train)
summary(logit.m1$fit)
Call:
stats::glm(formula = disposition ~ acuity, family = stats::binomial,
   data = data)
Coefficients:
          Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
acuity2
           0.53913
                     0.04241 12.713 < 2e-16 ***
           acuity3
                     0.11803 31.370 < 2e-16 ***
acuity4
           3.70261
acuity5
           4.54964
                     1.01710
                             4.473 7.71e-06 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
   Null deviance: 90339 on 65495
                                degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 84967 on 65491 degrees of freedom
AIC: 84977
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5
logit.m2 <- logit_model %>% fit(disposition ~ acuity + gender, data = train)
summary(logit.m2$fit)
Call:
stats::glm(formula = disposition ~ acuity + gender, family = stats::binomial,
   data = data)
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -1.19412
                     0.04147 -28.797 < 2e-16 ***
acuity2
           0.53904
                     0.04241 12.711 < 2e-16 ***
acuity3
           1.50484
                     0.04231 35.564 < 2e-16 ***
           3.70327
acuity4
                     0.11803 31.375 < 2e-16 ***
```

```
acuity5
            4.54873
                       1.01710 4.472 7.74e-06 ***
genderM
            0.02391
                       0.01640 1.458
                                         0.145
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
   Null deviance: 90339 on 65495
                                  degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 84965 on 65490 degrees of freedom
AIC: 84977
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5
1.27 Full Model Assessment
train$stay_id <- NULL
logit.full <- logit_model %>% fit(disposition ~ ., data = train)
Warning: glm.fit: fitted probabilities numerically 0 or 1 occurred
summary(logit.full$fit)
Call:
stats::glm(formula = disposition ~ ., family = stats::binomial,
   data = data)
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -6.136e+00 4.974e-01 -12.337 < 2e-16 ***
genderM
            2.248e-02 1.685e-02 1.335 0.181991
alzheimer1 -5.862e-01 5.987e-02 -9.791 < 2e-16 ***
            1.697e+00 1.110e-01 15.281 < 2e-16 ***
traumayes
visualyes
            2.376e-01 1.203e-01 1.976 0.048209 *
            5.000e-02 1.416e-03 35.302 < 2e-16 ***
edloshrs
temperature -9.906e-03 2.675e-03 -3.704 0.000212 ***
heartrate -2.599e-03 4.971e-04 -5.229 1.71e-07 ***
resprate
           -8.949e-02 3.781e-03 -23.670 < 2e-16 ***
o2sat
           7.445e-02 4.177e-03 17.822 < 2e-16 ***
sbp
            1.293e-03 3.519e-04 3.675 0.000237 ***
dbp
            2.335e-04 8.458e-05
                                  2.761 0.005761 **
```

3.400e-01 4.417e-02 7.696 1.40e-14 \*\*\*
1.293e+00 4.420e-02 29.248 < 2e-16 \*\*\*

acuity2

acuity3

```
acuity4
            3.553e+00 1.197e-01 29.681 < 2e-16 ***
            4.367e+00 1.021e+00 4.278 1.89e-05 ***
acuity5
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cardiacyes
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
   Null deviance: 90339 on 65495 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 81646 on 65479
                                  degrees of freedom
AIC: 81680
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
pred.full <- train %>%
  select(disposition) %>%
 bind_cols(predict(logit.full, new_data = train, type = "class") %>%
 rename(disposition_full = .pred_class)
accuracy(data = pred.full, truth = disposition, estimate = disposition_full)
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  .metric .estimator .estimate
          <chr>
  <chr>
                         <dbl>
                         0.652
1 accuracy binary
pred.full %>%
  conf_mat(truth = disposition, estimate = disposition_full)
```

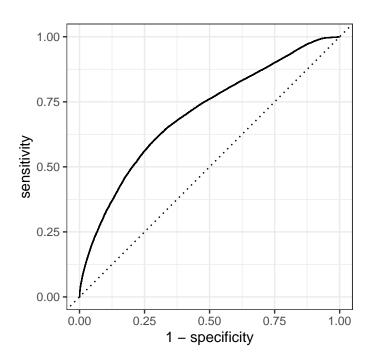
Truth
Prediction ADMITTED HOME
ADMITTED 24597 11890
HOME 10887 18122

Please note that type = class generates a binary predicted outcome at the 50% threshold.

#### 1.28 ROC Curves

#### 1.28.1 Training Set Predicted Probabilities

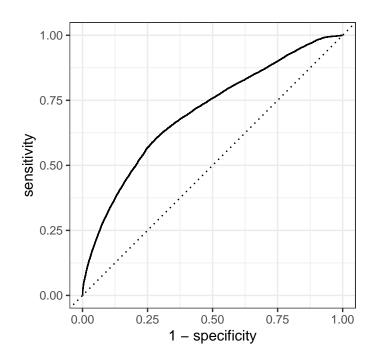
```
library(ggplot2)
# create another mini df to hold predictions
pred.fin <- logit.full %>%
   predict(new_data = train, type = "prob") %>%
      bind_cols(train)
pred.fin %>%
  roc_auc(truth = disposition, .pred_ADMITTED, event_level = "first")
# A tibble: 1 x 3
  .metric .estimator .estimate
  <chr>
        <chr>
                         <dbl>
1 roc_auc binary
                         0.704
pred.fin %>%
 roc_curve(disposition, .pred_ADMITTED, event_level = "first") %>%
```



#### 1.28.2 Validation Set Predictions

autoplot()

```
validation1 <- logit.full %>%
    predict(new_data = valid, type = "prob") %>%
    bind_cols(valid)
```



roc\_auc(disposition, .pred\_ADMITTED, event\_level = "first")

## 1.29 Scoring

validation1 %>%

autoplot()

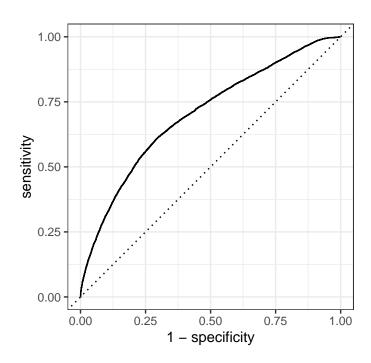
```
summary(logit.full$fit)
```

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o2sat
            7.445e-02 4.177e-03 17.822 < 2e-16 ***
            1.293e-03 3.519e-04 3.675 0.000237 ***
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                                  degrees of freedom
ATC: 81680
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
library(gtsummary)
tbl_regression(logit.full, exponentiate = TRUE)
Extracting {parsnip} model fit with `tbl_regression(x = x$fit, ...)`
Warning: glm.fit: fitted probabilities numerically 0 or 1 occurred
Warning: glm.fit: fitted probabilities numerically 0 or 1 occurred
! `broom::tidy()` failed to tidy the model.
Profiled confidence intervals may take longer time to compute.
  Use `ci_method="wald"` for faster computation of CIs.
v `tidy_parameters()` used instead.
i Add `tidy_fun = broom.helpers::tidy_parameters` to quiet these messages.
```

Characteristic	OR	$95\%~\mathrm{CI}$	p-value
gender			
F			
${f M}$	1.02	0.99, 1.06	0.2
alzheimer			
0		_	
1	0.56	0.49,  0.63	< 0.001
trauma			
no		_	
yes	5.46	4.39,  6.78	< 0.001
visual			
no		_	
yes	1.27	1.00, 1.61	0.048
edloshrs	1.05	1.05,  1.05	< 0.001
temperature	0.99	0.98, 1.00	< 0.001
heartrate	1.00	1.00, 1.00	< 0.001
resprate	0.91	0.91,  0.92	< 0.001
o2sat	1.08	1.07, 1.09	< 0.001
sbp	1.00	1.00, 1.00	< 0.001
dbp	1.00	1.00, 1.00	0.006
acuity			
1			
2	1.40	1.29, 1.53	< 0.001
3	3.64	3.34, 3.97	< 0.001
4	34.9	27.6, 44.1	< 0.001
5	78.8	10.7, 583	< 0.001
cardiac			
no		_	
yes	1.24	1.13,  1.37	< 0.001

 $\overline{\text{Abbreviations: CI} = \text{Confidence Interval, OR} = \text{Odds Ratio}}$ 

## 1.30 Apply to Test Set



#### 1.31 Evaluate Calibration

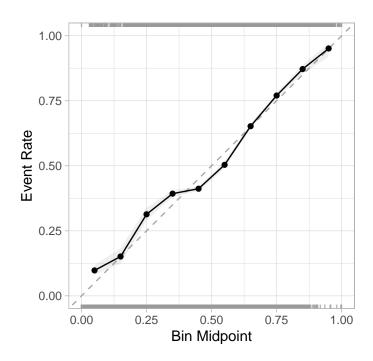
```
library(probably)
```

Attaching package: 'probably'

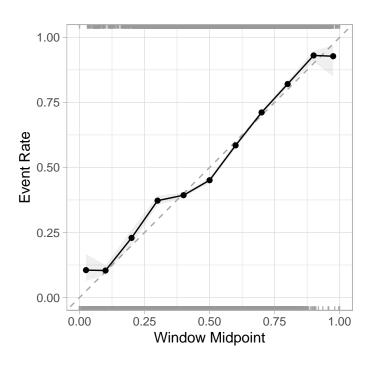
The following objects are masked from 'package:base':

as.factor, as.ordered

test1 %>% cal\_plot\_breaks(truth = disposition, estimate = .pred\_ADMITTED)



test1 %>% cal\_plot\_windowed(truth = disposition, estimate = .pred\_ADMITTED, step\_size = 0.1)



# 2 Appendix

#### 2.1 References

- https://academic.oup.com/jamia/article/27/4/621/5762806
- https://www.tidyverse.org/blog/2022/11/model-calibration/
- https://www.tidymodels.org

# **3 Supplementary Functions**

#### 3.1 Data Pre-processing

With tidymodels, variables can be pre-processed using recipes to tell R which variables it should and should not use

```
train <- training(subsets.tagged)
head(train)</pre>
```

	stay_id	gender	disposit:	ion alz	zheimer	trauma	visual	edloshrs	temperature
	<fctr></fctr>	<fctr></fctr>	<fc†< td=""><td>tr&gt;</td><td><fctr></fctr></td><td><fctr></fctr></td><td><fctr></fctr></td><td><num></num></td><td><num></num></td></fc†<>	tr>	<fctr></fctr>	<fctr></fctr>	<fctr></fctr>	<num></num>	<num></num>
1:	33258284	F	ADMIT	ΓED	(	) no	no	4.216667	98.4
2:	32952584	F	HO	OME	(	) no	no	13.500000	97.8
3:	39399961	F	ADMIT	ΓED	(	) no	no	8.100000	98.7
4:	31021946	M	HO	OME	(	) no	no	3.233333	97.4
5:	35420907	M	ADMIT	ΓED	(	) no	no	4.033056	98.9
6:	35197384	F	ADMIT	ΓED	(	) no	no	3.691111	97.8
	heartrate	respra	te o2sat	sbp	dbp	acuity	cardiac		
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1:	70		16 97	106	63	3	no		
2:	87		14 97	71	43	2	no		
3:	77		16 98	96	50	2	no		
4:	81		18 100	159	98	3	no		
5:	92		18 100	140	77	2	no		
6:	120		20 98	121	77	3	no		

stay\_id is a row identifier and R should know not to use it as a predictor.

• recipe() allows you to specify the data and variables in standard formula notation

- The . is a wildcard that tells R to use all the variables in the data frame
- update\_role() specifies the "role" of the stay\_id variable as a non-predictor "ID"
- the updated role is only stored in the object full\_recipe along with the formula

#### 3.2 Stepwise Selection

Stepwise selection requires models to be pre-specified as recipes that R will iterate through.

Custom package colino contains many auxiliary functions for automated variable selection with tidymodels.

- step\_select\_vip() from colino specifies the parameters for the stepwise selection process
- all\_predictors() from recipes applies any role definitions before selecting candidate variables
- threshold = is the confidence interval-based selection process
  - alternatively, top\_p = can be set to capture variables at a specific p threshold
- prep() applies the recipe with variable roles into an object
- juice() takes the prepared variables and iterates them through the specified model
- pull\_importances() extracts the beta estimates from model objects
  - Shorthand to translate beta estimates to scores

#### 3.3 Tuning and Cross-validation

We do not perform model tuning here because we did not assess any hyperparameters.

Tuning would be performed with the library(tune) package and cross-validation.

```
#| label: creating subsets
library(tune)

folds.defn <- vfold_cv(train, v = 5, repeats = 10)</pre>
```

• vfold\_cv can be used to establish v number of cross-validation subsets and repeats number of iterations.

Average performance is generated across all the iterations and combinations of subsets.

• The model recipe must include the new folds definition object when fitting