ST 522/532 Final Project

Executive Summary

The original sample taken from a stratification by month results in a sample with a strong class imbalance. 98% of the data in the sample were for flights that were not canceled, and the remaining were for flights that were canceled. Using this sample resulted in models that only predict that a flight will not be canceled, resulting in a very good misclassification of only 2%. Therefore, if our only concern is predicting cancellations based on misclassification rates, then any model that always predicts no cancellation is a great model.

Another sample was taken, which consisted of all the cancellations and close to the same amount of non cancellations. The new sample was run with no prior distribution first, and the lowest misclassification rate was the optimal tree. (explain significant factors)

Then the models were run again with the prior probability, and the resulting misclassification rate was near 50%. This seems bad, but inspecting the resulting confusion table, shown in the appendix, will show that most of the models only predict that a flight will not be canceled. This was no different than the original sample.

The remaining models predict cancellations with low false positives. However, the optimal tree was found to be the best model based on the highest number of true positives and a low number of false positives. This model will outperform the previous models made using the original sample as well as the no prior probability models. This model was used to interpret the important factors in cancellation.

Introduction

This analysis is based on four data sets which are the following: flights, airlines, and airports. All of the data sets contain information about commercial air travel and are useful in our analysis in predicting flight cancellations. The airlines data set contains 14 observations and 2 variables, which provides each airline's name and airline's IATA code which is matched with the airline's airline code. The flight data set contains nearly 5.8 million observations and 31 variables that encompass a vast array of aspects of flights ranging from flight length to what day of the month the flight was scheduled. The hub dataset contains information on which airport each of the

airlines have a hub at. Lastly, the airports dataset has 322 observations and 7 variables that describe the airports locations.

<u>Methodology</u>

Initially, the sample supplied by Professor Casselman to undergo data mining in SAS Enterprise was analyzed. Here, we noticed that there was a drastic split between canceled flights and non-cancelled flights. The prior probabilities showed that less than 2% of the observations were canceled. This discrepancy would lead to various inaccuracies in our models and we subsequently chose to resample from the original dataset. This resampling was performed in SAS Studio.

Firstly, the data was separated by cancellation and noncancellation. The noncancellation set was then sampled to match the amount that was in the cancellation set. A correlation table was then produced to see if there was any multicollinearity among the predictor variables. We found out that variables scheduled time and distance are highly correlated with a correlation coefficient of .98. A frequency table was also produced to ensure the amount of canceled and non canceled flights were equal. Additionally, a two way frequency table was created to check the missing values of delay variables. The results showed that departure delay values were missing for 95% of all canceled flights and 0% for flights not canceled. Departure delay values are a summation of all the delays before the flight leaves, so a missing value for departure delay means no delay values were recorded. Since 95% of the canceled flights did not have value, we could not impute and therefore rejected departure delay and consequently all delays. A summary table of airports was also created through a proc sql statement grouping flights by airport. Numerous columns were created describing statistics and 95% confidence intervals of the statistics. The columns created were percent diverted, percent canceled, average departure time, and average arrival time with their respective lower and upper bounds of a 95% confidence interval. Average departure time and Average arrival time are relative to their scheduled times. A summary table for airlines was also created in a similar fashion grouping by airline names. The columns created were the same as the airport summary except no confidence intervals were created. The amount of flights per airline provides a very good estimator of the statistics created. The airport summary table was then used to make another table that consisted of airports that had above average percent canceled. This table was made by using a subquery of average percent

canceled. A table of monthly cancellations was made with the number of cancellation and percent of cancellation. This table shows that February had the most cancellations along with the highest percentage of cancellations. Moreover, a table of day of week was made with total flights and percent canceled. The table shows us that Thursday has the highest number of flights and Sunday has the highest percentage canceled at 2%. A table of hub and percent cancellation was built to determine if cancellation happens more when the flight's airline has a hub at the location. Using this table, we see that flights without hubs have slightly more cancellations than those that are at a hub.

Quickly on we noticed that the delay variables are almost all missing 98% of the time for when the flight is canceled. With this we concluded that delay associated variables should be rejected in the model to predict cancellations. Another issue we found was that distance and scheduled time were correlated so we chose to reject scheduled time. After the data split we started the model training.

Neural Networks

We ran the data through four neural networks with the default 3 hidden units, 5,10, and 25 hidden units. We also wanted to run an ensemble neural network so all the individual neural networks are connected to a control point named "Control Point NN". We made ensemble models with all of the hidden unit models, another with 5-25 hidden units and another with the 10 and 25 hidden units. All of the individual neural networks as well as the ensemble models are connected to the model comparison node.

Tree-Based Models

We ran an optimal decision tree and connected the tree to the model comparison. We also ran a random forest so we could get the OOB statistics and have that comparison in the model comparison. With the random forest, we also did a bagging and boosting model. The boosting model was done using the gradient boosting node with an assessment measure of misclassification. The bagging model was done using the start/end groups nodes to make the samples. The samples were run through an optimal tree and then sent to the end groups node. We then connected the various end sample models to the model comparison node as well as an

ensemble node named "Bagging tree ensemble." This bagging ensemble was then connected to the model comparison as well.

Regression Models

Since we don't have a lot of interval inputs, there was a concern about possible interactions in the model. To test this, we chose to run various regression models using different model selection techniques for models with and without interactions. To simplify the arrows in the flow chart, we connected the data partition node to a control point. This was then connected to a total of six logistic regression models. Three models used stepwise, forward, and backwards selection without interaction terms included, and the other three used stepwise, forward, and backwards selection with interaction terms included. We then ran two regression ensemble models, combining those with interaction into the "reg BIC yes int" node and those without interaction into the "reg BIC no int" node. All six individual regression models were connected to a control point named "Control Point reg models" and then connected to the model comparison. Both regression ensemble models were also connected to the model comparison. Different Sample

As mentioned earlier, there was a large difference between our primary and secondary targets. We took another sample to attempt to remedy this issue in the model building. Hub and quarter were added to the list of potential predictors. We then ran the same models as mentioned with the new data and compared the results.

Results

A breakdown of the various models run for model comparison for each of the data samples can be seen in the appendix. As mentioned earlier, the optimal decision tree with the re-sampled 50/50 split and prior probabilities was our best model. The new data sample, with the addition of the prior probabilities, allowed the model to be more accurately trained to predict canceled flights instead of non-canceled flights. The final and best model had a validation misclassification rate of 0.484459. It also has the highest count of true positives, with a validation true positive count of 1130. Additionally, it had the most false positives out of the models with 34 false positives in the validation set. No other models really over-predicted the canceled flights as much as the optimal tree, however this hesitance in the other models means

that it was still over-predicting non-cancelled flights. When the optimal tree was examined further, it was seen that there were two main factors in the tree that determined a prediction of cancellation with decent accuracy. The first being if the flight is in the month of February, the day of the month is 23 or greater with certain airlines, and if it's either a Friday or Sunday. The second factor, while still important, is still less practical than the first factor. The second factor is if it is the fifth day of March and a certain airline.

The second best model was the logistic regression model that utilized Bayesian information criterion with backwards variable selection. Despite this, the model is quite uninterpretable. The amount of nominal variables and interactions between them can not be interpreted with significant meaning. With this, we again focus on the optimal tree for the conclusion.

Discussion/Conclusion

Based on the sample that was roughly 50% canceled and 50% not canceled observations, the best misclassification rate was 22%. This shows that available predictors do not predict cancellation that well. This would also explain why the models run using the original sample that had less than 2% of the flights canceled were not predicting any cancellations.

This is probably due to quality control measures used by airlines to reduce cancellations. If an airline finds a significant factor that increases cancellations, they would try to fix it as cancellations are extremely costly for the airlines. This is also shown in the data of the delays. Over 98% of the observations that were canceled had missing delay variables and those that were delayed were marked as non-canceled. This shows that if a flight had to be delayed, it very rarely led to a cancellation. If the flight was delayed past the point of the airport closing times, it was

considered to be a National Air System delay, not canceled. While major delays mean the passengers are entitled to some compensation, most delays, if any, were not more costly than refunding an entire flight.

A possible further analysis could be done on the relationship between flight cancellations and delays and the type of plane used on the flights. It would be interesting to see if the boeings fly better in certain months compared to other types. It would also be interesting to include average flight ticket prices into this analysis. Do cheaper flights get delayed or canceled more often than the more expensive flights? With more time and resources, much more can be done with analysis.

Appendix

Original sample

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3	Boost	Gradient Boosting	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		35963	36008	0	0
4	HPDMForest	HP Forest	TRAIN	CANCELLED		12488	43002	10990	41433
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6	Ensub13	5-25	TRAIN	CANCELLED		14572	40779	13213	39349
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2	Neural2	Neural Network 10h	TRAIN	CANCELLED		14472	39973	14019	39449
3	Neural2	Neural Network 10h	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		9713	26789	9219	26250
4	Neural	Neural Network	TRAIN	CANCELLED		14896	37890	16102	39025
5	Neural	Neural Network	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		10020	25240	10768	25943
6	Neural4	Neural Network 5h	TRAIN	CANCELLED		15401	40348	13644	38520
7	Neural4	Neural Network 5h	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		10283	26968	9040	25680
8	Ensub14	10425	TRAIN	CANCELLED		14152	40314	13678	39769
9	Ensabl4	10625	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		9478	26842	9166	26485
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2	Reg12	regbackBICyesint	TRAIN	CANCELLED		15116	38345	15647	38805
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Event Classification Table
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Boost	Gradient Boosting	TRAIN	CANCELLED		53921	53992	0	0
Boost	Gradient Boosting	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		35963	36008	0	0
HPDMForest	HP Forest	TRAIN	CANCELLED		53921	53992	0	0
HPDMForest	HP Forest	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		35963	36008	0	0
Ensmb13	5-25	TRAIN	CANCELLED		53897	53991	1	24
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Ensmbl	Ensemble all hh	TRAIN	CANCELLED		53921	53992	0	0
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Neural3	Neural Network 25h	TRAIN	CANCELLED		53828	53988	4	93
Neural3	Neural Network 25h	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		35903	36008		60
Neural2	Neural Network 10h	TRAIN	CANCELLED		53658	53990	2	263
Neural2	Neural Network 10h	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		35768	36004	4	195
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Ensmb14	10425	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		35948	36008	0	15
Ensub12	Bagging tree ensemble	TRAIN	CANCELLED		53921	53992	0	0
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Regll	regstepBICyesint	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		35958	36008	0	5
Reg12	regbackBICyesint	TRAIN	CANCELLED		53902	53992	0	19
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Ensmb17	reg BIC no int	VALIDATE	CANCELLED		35963	36008	0	0

proc corr data=proj.flights;
 var scheduled_time distance;
run;

The CORR Procedure

2 Variables: SCHEDULED_TIME DISTANCE

Simple Statistics						
Variable	N	Mean	Std Dev	Sum	Minimum	Maximum
SCHEDULED_TIME	5819073	141.68589	75.21058	824480546	18.00000	718.00000
DISTANCE	5819079	822.35649	607.78429	4785357409	21.00000	4983

Pearson Correlation Coefficients Prob > r under H0: Rho=0 Number of Observations						
	SCHEDULED_TIME DISTANCE					
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DISTANCE	0.98434 <.0001 5819073	1.00000 5819079				

proc freq data=proj.flights;

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Run;

proc sql;

proc sql;

The FREQ Procedure

CANCELLED	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
0	5729195	98.46	5729195	98.46
1	89884	1.54	5819079	100.00

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create table work.flightsairports as

select *from proj.flights left join proj.airports

on flights.origin_airport = airports.iata_code;

quit;

proc sql;

create table work.flights as

select *from work.flightsairports as a left join proj.airlines

on a.airline = airlines.iata_code;

quit;
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create table airline_stats as

select air_line,

count(*) as number_of_flights,

sum(diverted)/count(*) as proportion_diverted,

sum(cancelled)/count(*) as proportion_cancelled,

sum(departure_delay)/count(*) as avg_departure_time,

sum(arrival_delay)/count(*) as avg_arrival_time

from work.flights

group by air_line

order by proportion_cancelled desc;

quit;
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Airline summary table

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	air_line	number_of_flights	proportion_div
1	American Eagle Airlines Inc.	294632	0.002769
2	Atlantic Southeast Airlines	571977	0.003486
3	US Airways Inc.	198715	0.002138
4	Spirit Air Lines	117379	0.001550
5	Skywest Airlines Inc.	588353	0.00268
6	JetBlue Airways	267048	0.00273
7	American Airlines Inc.	725984	0.00293
8	United Air Lines Inc.	515723	0.002691
9	Southwest Airlines Co.	1261855	0.002701
10	Virgin America	61903	0.00195
11	Frontier Airlines Inc.	90836	0.001739
12	Delta Air Lines Inc.	875881	0.00203
13	Alaska Airlines Inc.	172521	0.002393
14	Hawaiian Airlines Inc.	76272	0.000786

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proc sql;
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create table origin_airport_stats as

select airport,

count(*) as number_of_flights,

sum(diverted)/count(*) as proportion_diverted,

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sum(diverted)/count(*)-
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lower bound cancelled,
       sum(cancelled)/count(*)+
1.96*(sqrt(((sum(cancelled)/count(*)))*(1-sum(cancelled)/count(*)))/count(*))) as
higher bound cancelled,
       sum(departure delay)/count(*) as avg departure time,
       sum(departure delay)/count(*)-1.96*(std(departure delay)/count(*)) as
lower bound departure,
       sum(departure delay)/count(*)+1.96*(std(departure delay)/count(*)) as
higher bound departure,
       sum(arrival delay)/count(*) as avg arrival time,
       sum(arrival delay)/count(*)-1.96*(std(arrival delay)/count(*)) as lower bound arrival,
       sum(arrival delay)/count(*)+1.96*(std(arrival delay)/count(*)) as higher bound arrival
       from proj.complete
       group by airport
       order by proportion cancelled desc;
```

quit;

Airport summary table

	number of flights	proportion divorted	lower bound diverted
	number_of_flights	proportion_diverted	lower_bound_diverted
nal Airport	34	0	0
port	156	0	0
port	956	0.0010460251	-0.001003112
rport	525	0.0247619048	0.0114688813
ort (Jack McNamara Fi	190	0.0052631579	-0.005025449
rport	3562	0.0064570466	0.0038266611
ort	667	0	0
	96	0.0104166667	-0.009893385
rport	812	0.0123152709	0.0047293343
onal Airport (St. Au	155	0	0
al Airport	1331	0.0007513148	-0.000720709
	962	0	0
orial Airport	668	0.005988024	0.0001373565
rt	666	0	0
irnortå (Southeast Te	072	0.0051387461	0 0006460247

proc sql;

select airport, percent_cancelled from origin_airport_stat
where percent_cancelled > (select avg(percent_cancelled) from origin_airport_stats)
order by percent_cancelled desc;

Quit;

Airport subquery above average proportion cancelled

AIRPORT	percent_cancelled
Ithaca Tompkins Regional Airport	0.117647
Mammoth Yosemite Airport	0.102564
Friedman Memorial Airport	0.09205
Devils Lake Regional Airport	0.087619
Del Norte County Airport (Jack McNamara Fi	0.084211
Aspen-Pitkin County Airport	0.077485
Muskegon County Airport	0.073463
Adak Airport	0.072917
Jamestown Regional Airport	0.07266
Northeast Florida Regional Airport (St. Au	0.070968
Lawton-Fort Sill Regional Airport	0.070624

proc sql;

select month, sum (cancelled) as cancellations , sum (cancelled)/count(*) as percent_cancelled

from proj.complete

group by month

order by cancellations desc;

Quit;

Month summary table

MONTH	cancellations	percent_cancelled
2	20517	0.047804
1	11982	0.025495
3	11002	0.021816
6	9120	0.018099
12	8063	0.016825
5	5694	0.011457
8	5052	0.009895
7	4806	0.00923
11	4599	0.009828
4	4520	0.009317
10	2454	0.005048
9	2075	0.004463

```
data work.flights;
    set proj.flights;
    if departure_delay=. then delay=0;
    else if departure_delay >=0 then delay=1;
```

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else delay=-1;

run;

proc freq data=work.flights;

tables cancelled*delay;

Run;

The FREQ Procedure

Frequency Percent Row Pct Col Pct

Table of CANCELLED by delay					
	delay				
CANCELLED	-1	0	1	Total	
0	3276871 56.31 57.20 99.97	0 0.00 0.00 0.00	2452324 42.14 42.80 99.89	5729195 98.46	
1	1077 0.02 1.20 0.03	86153 1.48 95.85 100.00	2654 0.05 2.95 0.11	89884 1.54	
Total	3277948 56.33	86153 1.48	2454978 42.19	5819079 100.00	

(where 0=missing value)

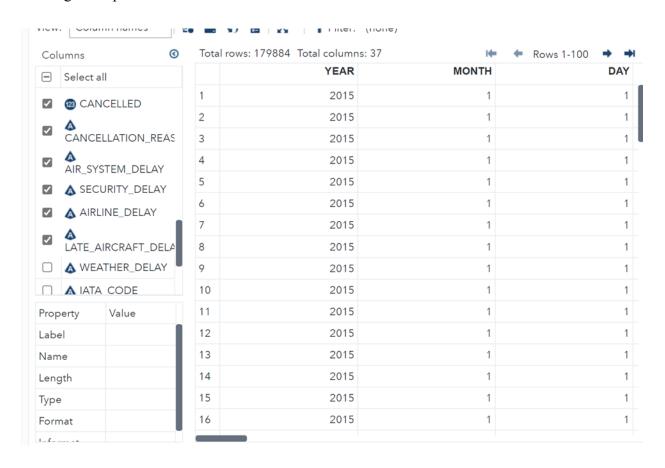
```
data work.quarters;
       set proj.flightairline;
       if month in (1,2,3) then quarter=1;
       else if month in (4,5,6) then quarter=2;
       else if month in (7,8,9) then quarter=3;
       else quarter=4;
run;
data work.cancelled work.notcancelled;
       set work.quarters;
       if cancelled=1 then output work.cancelled;
       else output work.notcancelled;
run;
proc surveyselect data=work.notcancelled samprate==.6365 out=work.notcancelledsample;
run;
data proj.newsamp;
       set work.cancelled work.notcancelledsample;
run;
```

```
data a; set proj.hubs;
 do i = 1 to 12;
       apt_code = scan(hub_airports, i, " ");
       output;
 end;
run;
proc sql;
       create table newsamp1 as
       select * from proj.newsamp left join work.a
       on newsamp.airline = a.airline And
       newsamp.origin_airport = a.apt_code
quit;
proc sort data=work.newsamp1;
       by year month day;
run;
```

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data proj.newsamp1(drop= i samplingweight selectionprob );
    set work.newsamp1;
    if apt_code= " " then hub=0;
    else hub=1;
```

Run;

Creating a sample



proc sql;

select hub, sum(cancelled)/count(*) as proportion_cancelled
from proj.complete

group by hub;

Quit;

Hub summary table

hub	proportion_cancelled
0	0.016026
1	0.014774