

Warfarin Dosage Predictor

Introduction

Preface

- Warfarin is the most widely used anticoagulant drug used for treating arterial and venous thromboembolism caused by blood clots.

Problem Statement

- Understanding the variability in Warfarin Dosages using Machine Learning (ML) techniques.
- Develop a ML model that can help predict Warfarin dosing

Importance

- Warfarin has a narrow therapeutic range and severe side effects at extreme concentrations.
- Precise dosing of warfarin is an important concern for clinicians

The Data

Source

- Source: IWPC - International Warfarin Pharmacogenetics Consortium
- Host Institution: [PharmGKB](#)

First Impressions

- Small sample size (6256 * 68)
- With missing data
- Mixture of Datatypes
- Useful features with clear target variable.

Methodology

1. Data Preprocessing techniques

- Feature Engineering - Encoding
 - Transform categorical features into numerical data
- Data Grouping
 - Organizing age and race into groups
- Data Filtering
 - Filter rare or extreme data points
- Data Imputation
 - Missing data points are imputed using Linear Regression / if-else conditions

2. Data Analysis

- Analysis Methods
 - Bar graphs
 - Scatter plots
 - Descriptive statistical calculations
- Analysis Findings
 - Relationship between features and target variable
 - Comparison between feature groups
 - Highlight anomalies

3. Machine Learning Models

- Models
 - Linear Regression
 - Gradient Boosting Regressor
 - Linear Support Vector Regressor
 - Ridge Regressor
 - Support Vector Regressor
 - Multilayer Perceptron Regressor (Neural Network)
- Techniques
 - Stacking Ensemble
 - Resampling
 - Pipelining
- Performance Evaluation Metrics
 - Mean Absolute Error (MAE)
 - R-squared (R2)

Conclusion, Learning Outcome, Discussion

- Using imputation technique to estimate missing data helped maintain an adequate data sample size
- Basic Machine Learning (ML) models are able to perform well with resampling
 - Resampling helps to provide more accurate and robust results
- Stack Ensemble techniques and Pipelining ML Models are able to perform well without resampling
 - Prediction performance improved by leveraging the strengths of multiple models and capturing diverse perspectives on the data.
- With an R2 value ranging around 0.4 to 0.5, the models can be described to be moderately predictive and may be useful for exploratory analysis with room for improvement.