

# Predicting Obesity Risk

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By the numbers..

64%

of the Canadian adult population were overweight or obese in 2020.

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Being overweight explains

71%

of all treatment costs associated with diabetes in OECD countries.

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**\$9 Billion**

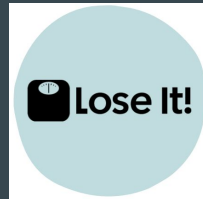
is spent annually on obesity related health costs in Canada.

# Stakeholders

Public Sector:



Private Sector:



Individuals struggling with overweightness/obesity who want to decrease their risk for obesity

# Data

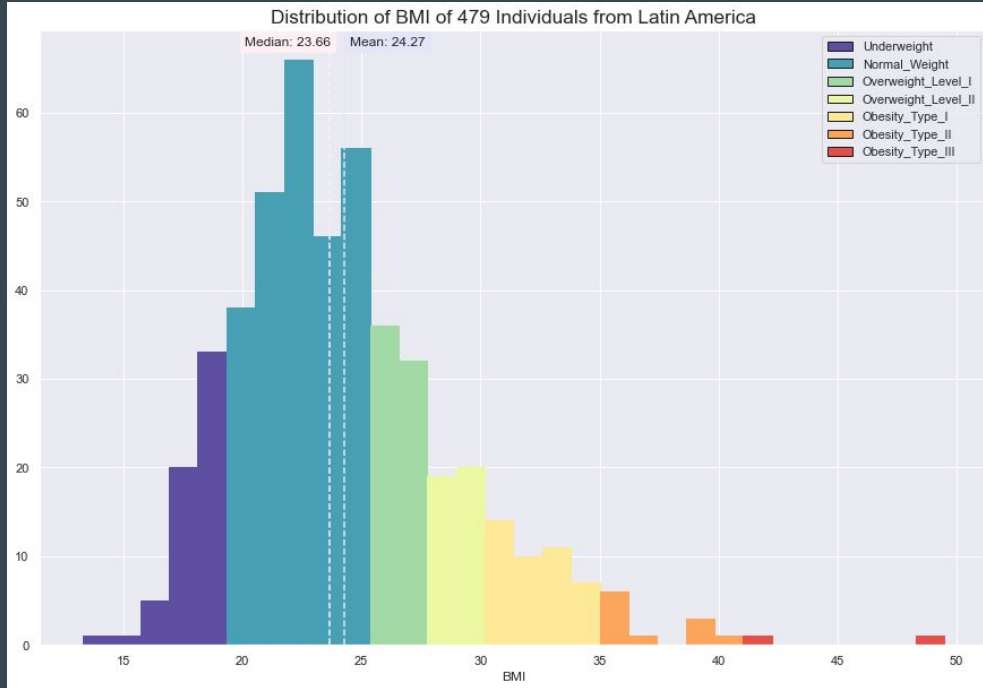


- Age
- Gender
- Family History of Obesity
- Height & weight

|                       |      |
|-----------------------|------|
| Number of Instances:  | 2111 |
| Number of Attributes: | 17   |

- Vegetable consumption
- Food & water intake
- Alcohol & nicotine usage
- Physical activity
- Transportation methods
- Technology usage
- Calorie consumption monitoring

# Data: Obesity Level

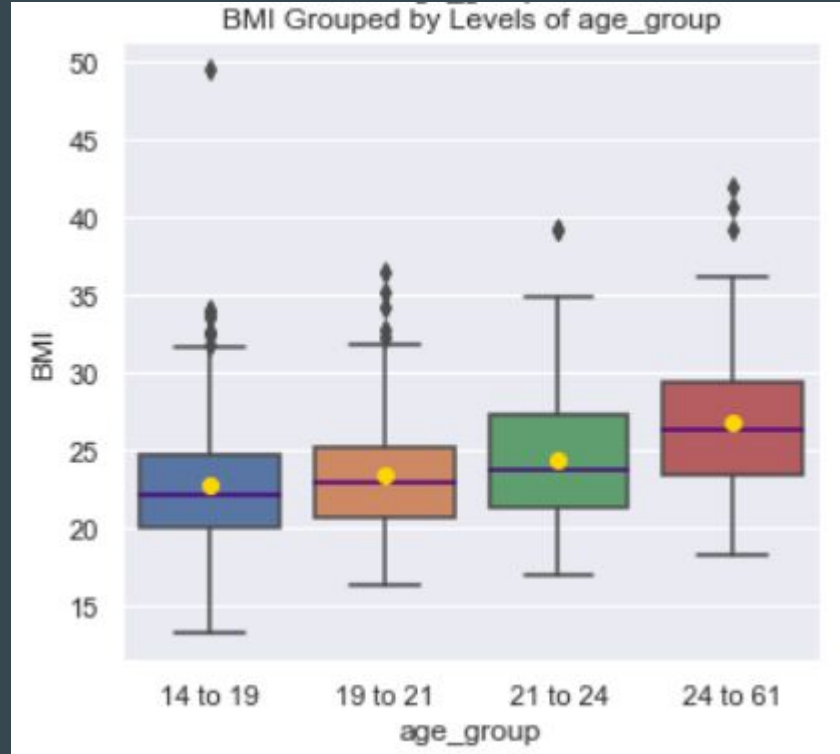
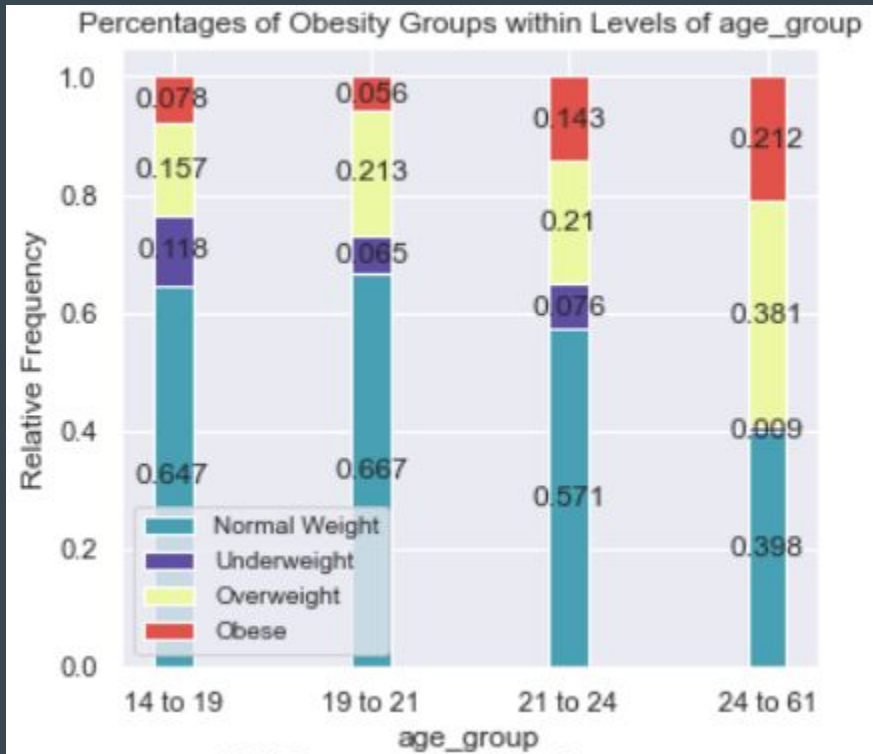


# T-Test & Chi-Squares

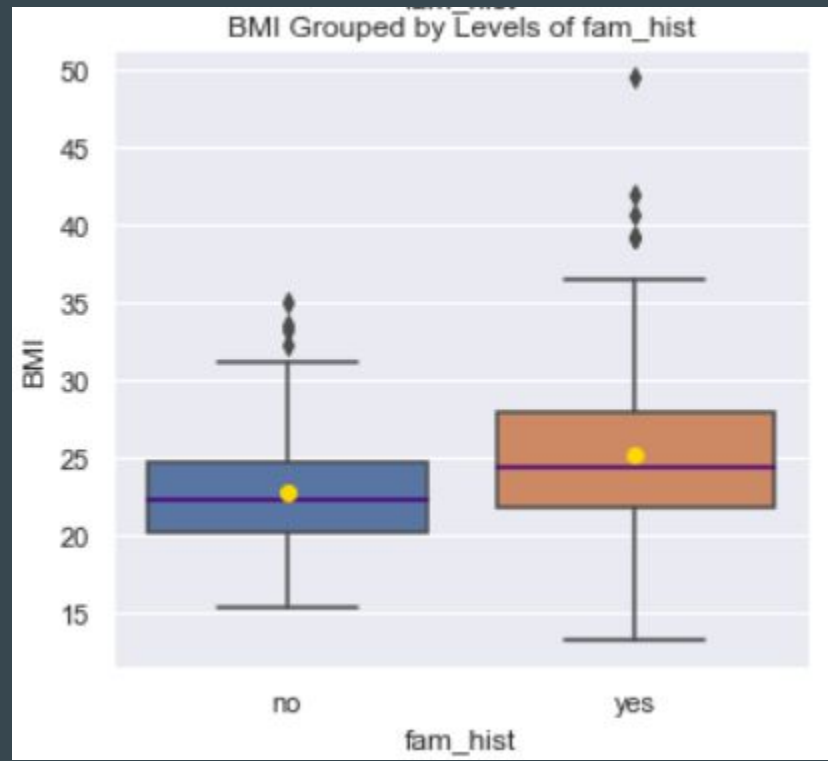
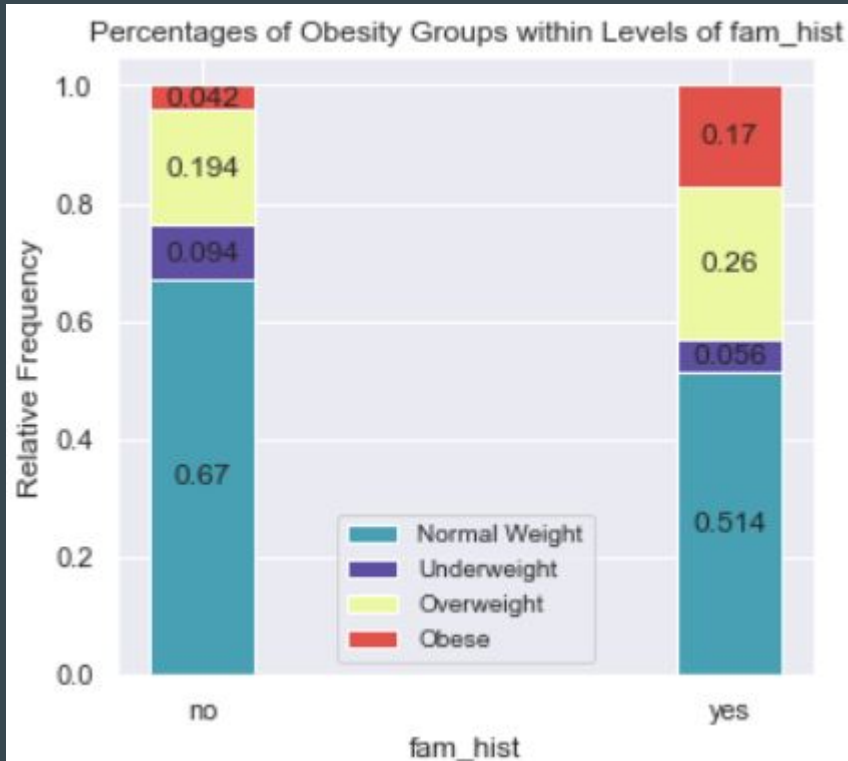
- Gender (M/F)
- Family history of obesity (Y/N)
- Nicotine use (Y/N)
- Age
- Number of main meals
- Daily water consumption
- Physical activity
- Time using technological devices
- Alcohol
- Transportation
- Food between meals ( $p=0.07$ )



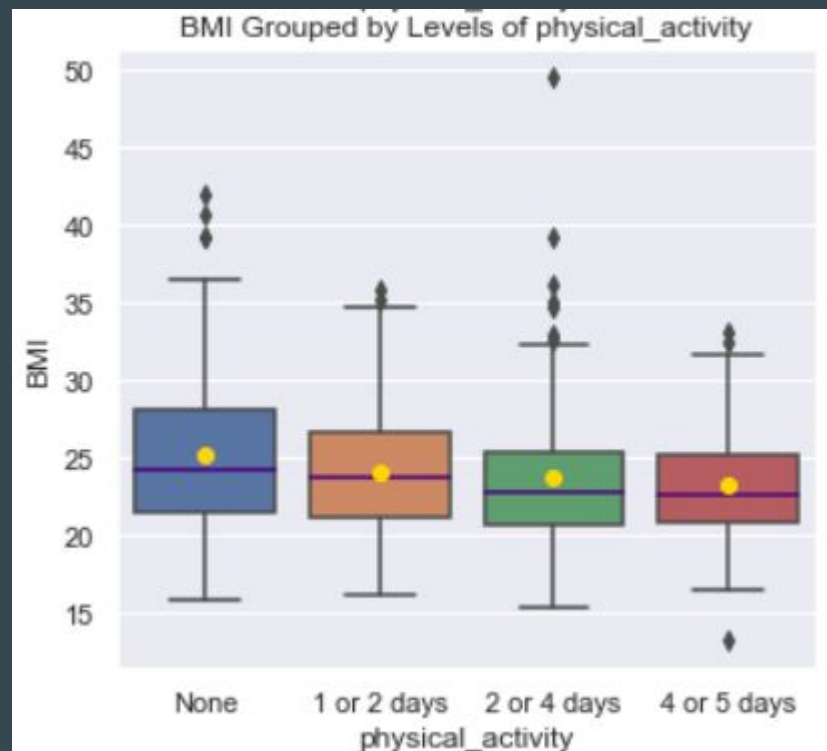
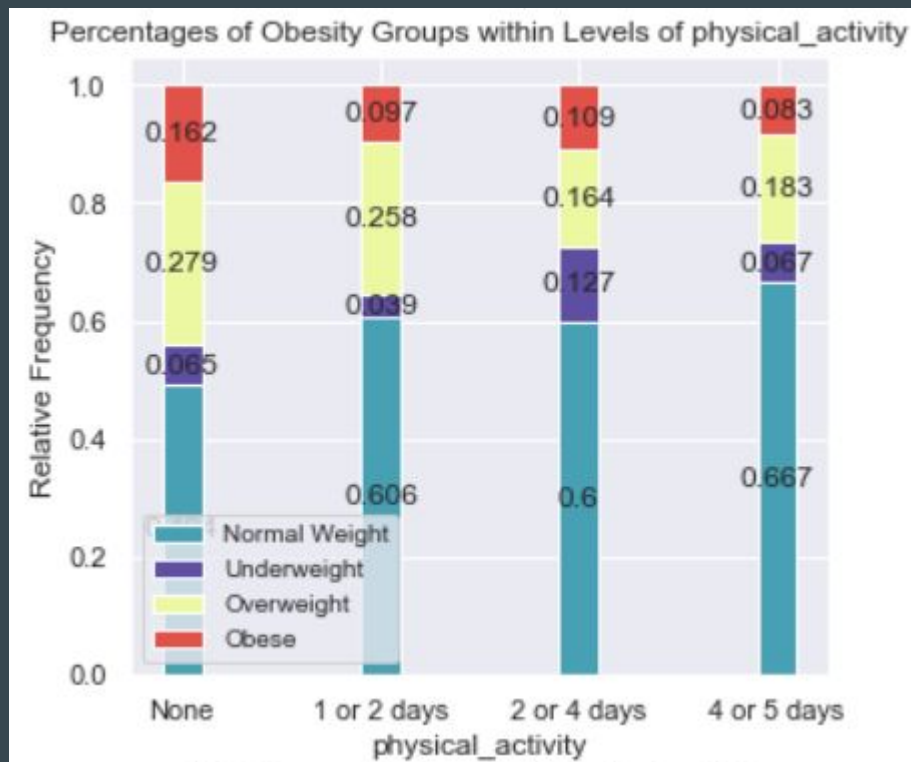
# Bivariate Analysis: Age



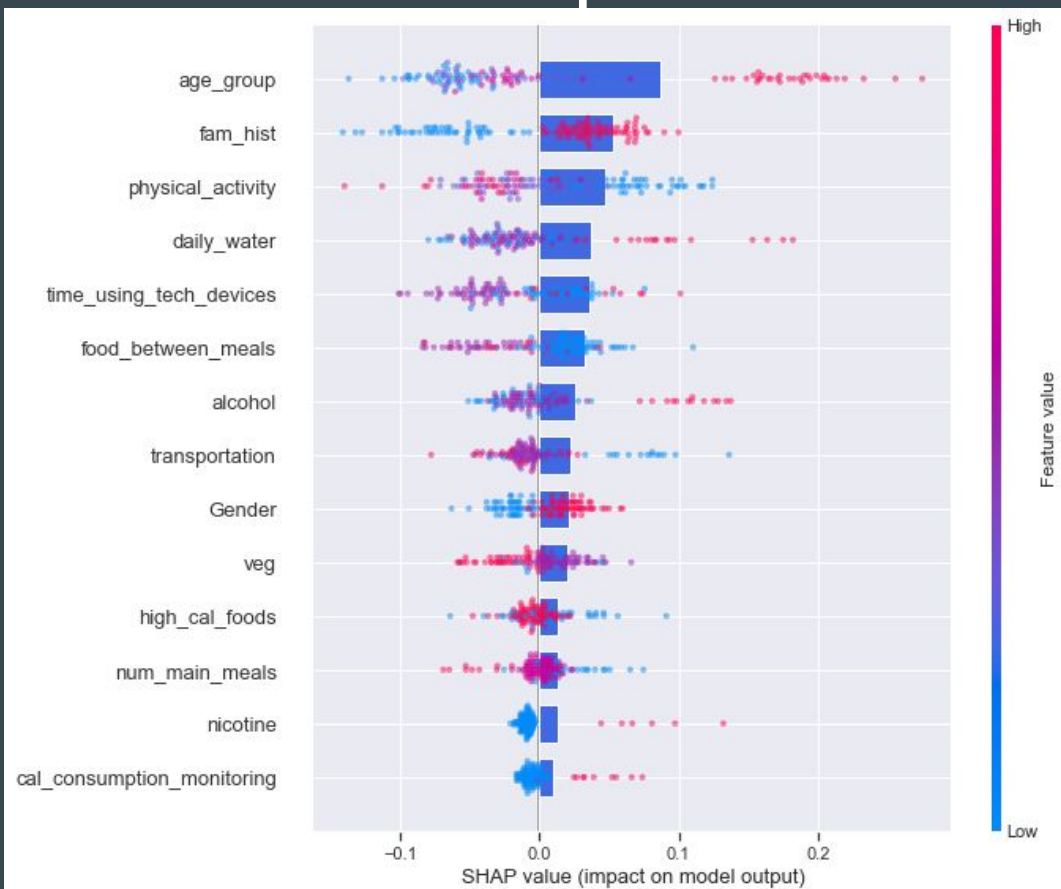
# Bivariate Analysis: Family History of Obesity



# Bivariate Analysis: Physical Activity



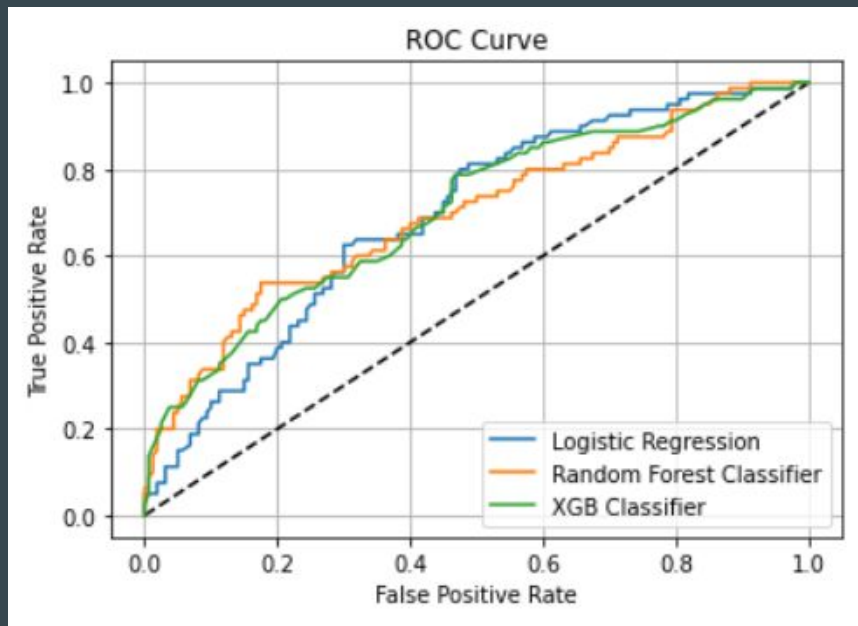
# Feature Importances



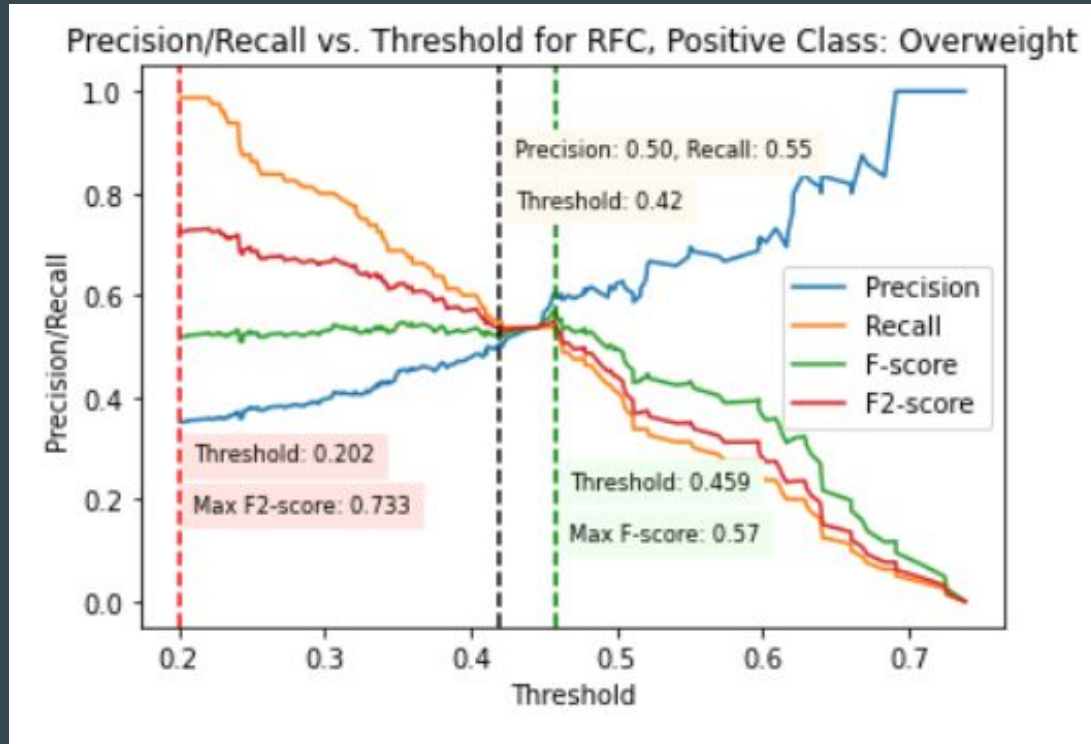
# Modeling

|                                 | Best_params  | Optimal_features   | ROC_AUC  |
|---------------------------------|--|--|----------|
| <b>Logistic Regression</b>      | {'C': 0.1}   | [age_group, fam_hist, physical_activity, daily_water, veg, food_between_meals, alcohol, nicotine]      | 0.741944 |
| <b>Random Forest Classifier</b> | {'criterion': 'entropy', 'max_depth': 3, 'max_features': 'log2', 'n_estimators': 50} | [age_group, fam_hist, physical_activity, daily_water, food_between_meals, veg, Gender, high_cal_foods] | 0.756481 |
| <b>XGB Classifier</b>           | {'colsample_bytree': 1, 'max_depth': 1, 'n_estimators': 50}                          | [age_group, fam_hist, physical_activity, Gender, daily_water]  | 0.750139 |

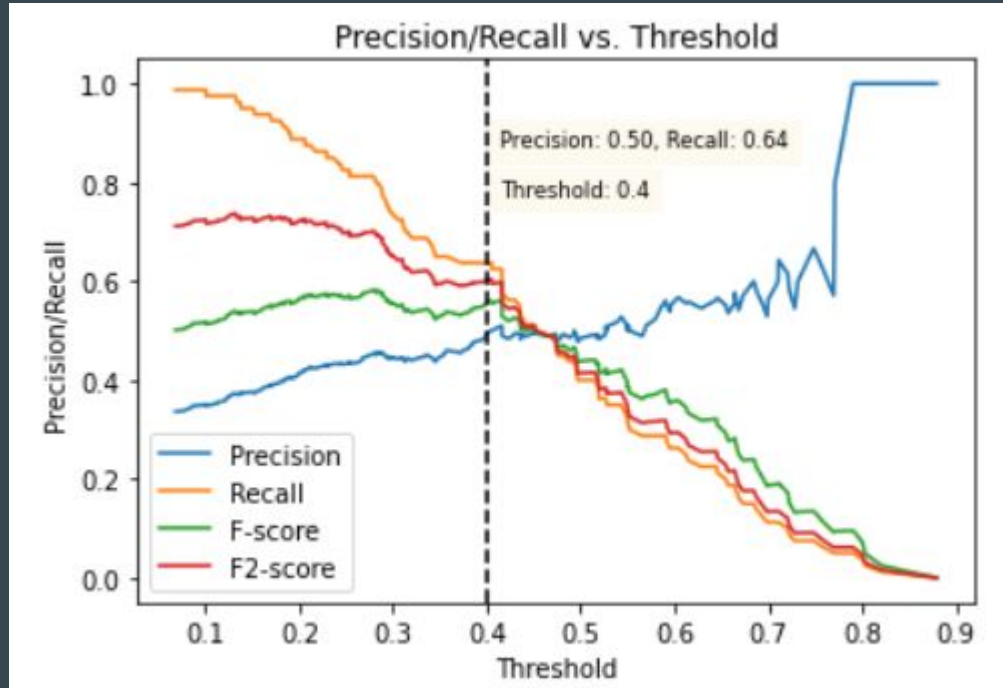
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# Thresholding: Random Forest Classification Model



# Thresholding: Logistic Regression Model





# Conclusions

- Age group, family history, physical activity, daily water intake, food between meals, gender, and vegetable consumption were variables that were consistent among the three models tested.
- The Random Forest Classification and Logistic Regression Models do not suffice to make accurate predictions of obesity.
- We should consider testing other models, or finding new datasets that contain more data or have less of an imbalance between classes.