

Data Science: Capstone CYO Project - Mushroom

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Introduction

In this report, our goal is to predict the edibility (class: edible / poisonous) of mushroom basing on attribution information. Data set includes descriptions of hypothetical samples corresponding to 23 species of gilled mushrooms in the Agaricus and Lepiota Family (pp. 500-525). The reason of selecting this dataset is that this problem is related to classification which is a large part of application in data science. And, it is also a complement to project – MovieLens that we can cover each part of what we have learnt from the course.

The mushroom dataset has already been well formatted from the source already. Data cleaning is only applied by removing 2 attributes prior to splitting the data to training set and test set. 10 algorithms are applied and an ensemble model combining the prior 10 different algorithms to see if it can provide improvement to our predictions.

1. glm
2. lda
3. Naïve Bayes
4. svmLinear
5. classification
6. knn
7. gamLoess
8. multinom
9. rf
10. adaboost
11. ensemble

1. Data Cleaning

Mushroom data set contains 23 columns of 1 class and 22 attributes related to cap, bruises, odor, gill, stalk, veil, ring, spore color, population and habitat of 8,124 observations.

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## 'data.frame': 8124 obs. of 23 variables:
## $ class : Factor w/ 2 levels "e","p": 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 ...
## $ cap_shape : Factor w/ 6 levels "b","c","f","k",...: 6 6 1 6 6 6 1 1 6 1 ...
## $ cap_surface : Factor w/ 4 levels "f","g","s","y": 3 3 3 4 3 4 3 4 4 3 ...
## $ cap_color : Factor w/ 10 levels "b","c","e","g",...: 5 10 9 9 4 10 9 9 9 10 ...
## $ bruises : Factor w/ 2 levels "f","t": 2 2 2 2 1 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ odor : Factor w/ 9 levels "a","c","f","l",...: 7 1 4 7 6 1 1 4 7 1 ...
## $ gill_attachment : Factor w/ 2 levels "a","f": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ gill_spacing : Factor w/ 2 levels "c","w": 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ gill_size : Factor w/ 2 levels "b","n": 2 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 ...
## $ gill_color : Factor w/ 12 levels "b","e","g","h",...: 5 5 6 6 5 6 3 6 8 3 ...
## $ stalk_shape : Factor w/ 2 levels "e","t": 1 1 1 1 2 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ stalk_root : Factor w/ 5 levels "?","b","c","e",...: 4 3 3 4 4 3 3 3 4 3 ...
## $ stalk_surface_above_ring: Factor w/ 4 levels "f","k","s","y": 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 ...
## $ stalk_surface_below_ring: Factor w/ 4 levels "f","k","s","y": 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 ...
## $ stalk_color_above_ring : Factor w/ 9 levels "b","c","e","g",...: 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 ...
## $ stalk_color_below_ring : Factor w/ 9 levels "b","c","e","g",...: 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 ...
## $ veil_type : Factor w/ 1 level "p": 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ veil_color : Factor w/ 4 levels "n","o","w","y": 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 ...
## $ ring_number : Factor w/ 3 levels "n","o","t": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
## $ ring_type : Factor w/ 5 levels "e","f","l","n",...: 5 5 5 5 1 5 5 5 5 5 ...
## $ spore_print_color : Factor w/ 9 levels "b","h","k","n",...: 3 4 4 3 4 3 3 4 3 3 ...
## $ population : Factor w/ 6 levels "a","c","n","s",...: 4 3 3 4 1 3 3 4 5 4 ...
## $ habitat : Factor w/ 7 levels "d","g","l","m",...: 6 2 4 6 2 2 4 4 2 4 ...
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## class cap_shape cap_surface cap_color bruises odor
## e:4208 b: 452 f:2320 n :2284 f:4748 n :3528
## p:3916 c: 4 g: 4 g :1840 t:3376 f :2160
## f:3152 s:2556 e :1500 s : 576
## k: 828 y:3244 y :1072 y : 576
## s: 32 w :1040 a : 400
## x:3656 b : 168 l : 400
## (Other): 220 (Other): 484
## gill_attachment gill_spacing gill_size gill_color stalk_shape stalk_root
## a: 210 c:6812 b:5612 b :1728 e:3516 ?:2480
## f:7914 w:1312 n:2512 p :1492 t:4608 b:3776
## w :1202 c: 556
## n :1048 e:1120
## g : 752 r: 192
## h : 732
## (Other):1170
## stalk_surface_above_ring stalk_surface_below_ring stalk_color_above_ring
## f: 552 f: 600 w :4464
## k:2372 k:2304 p :1872
## s:5176 s:4936 g : 576
## y: 24 y: 284 n : 448
## b : 432
## o : 192
## (Other): 140
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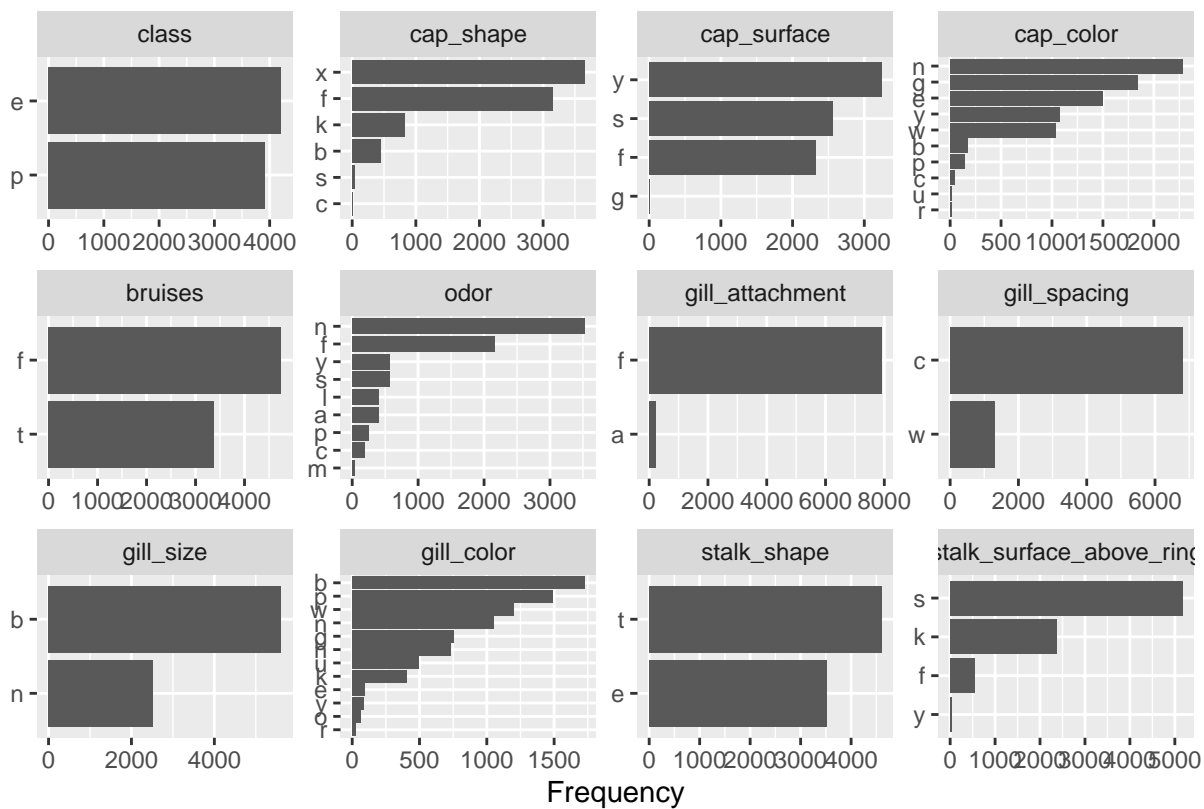
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## stalk_color_below_ring veil_type veil_color ring_number ring_type
## w      :4384           p:8124    n: 96      n: 36      e:2776
## p      :1872           o: 96      o:7488    f: 48
## g      : 576           w:7924    t: 600    l:1296
## n      : 512           y: 8       n: 36
## b      : 432           p:3968
## o      : 192
## (Other): 156
## spore_print_color population habitat
## w      :2388          a: 384      d:3148
## n      :1968          c: 340      g:2148
## k      :1872          n: 400      l: 832
## h      :1632          s:1248      m: 292
## r      : 72           v:4040      p:1144
## b      : 48           y:1712      u: 368
## (Other): 144          w: 192
```

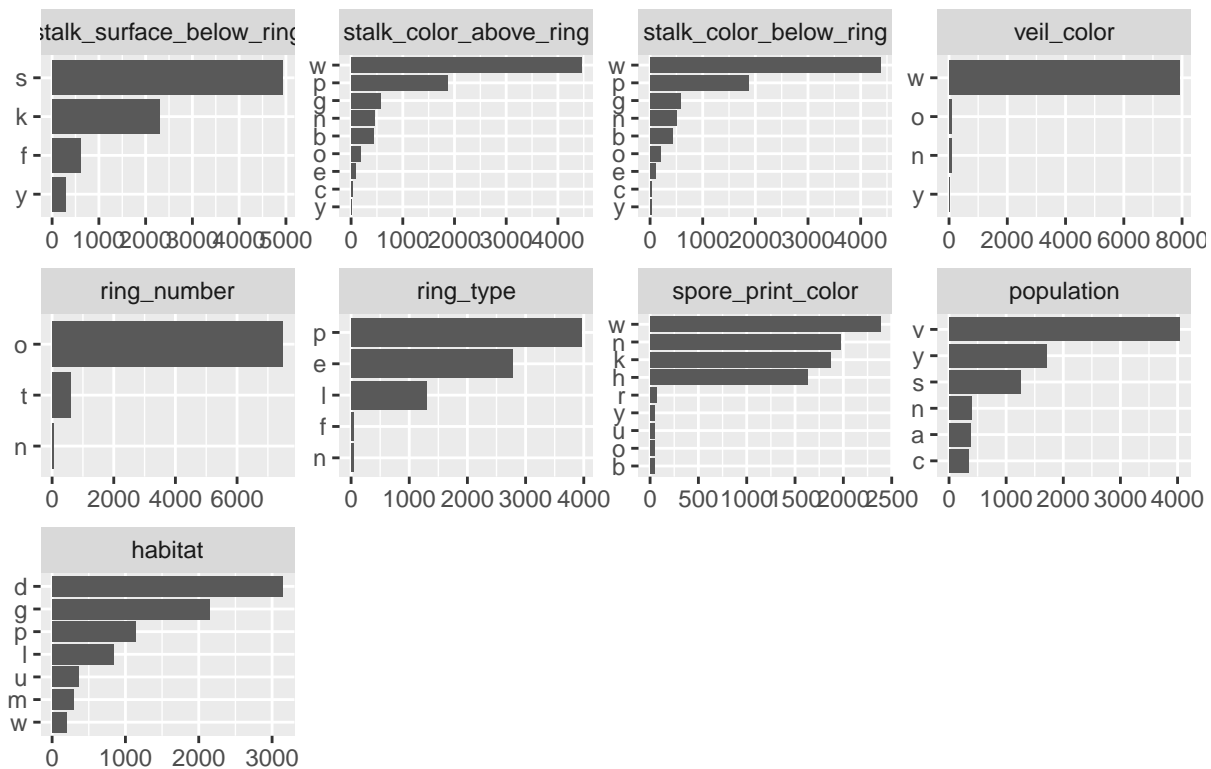
According to description from the source, there is data missing in the attribute of stalk root. The missing data point is marked “?” from the source already. Veil type is reported 1 level only. As a result, both stalk root and veil type are removed prior to we start data exploration & modeling.

```
mushroom <- mushroom %>% select(-veil_type, -stalk_root)
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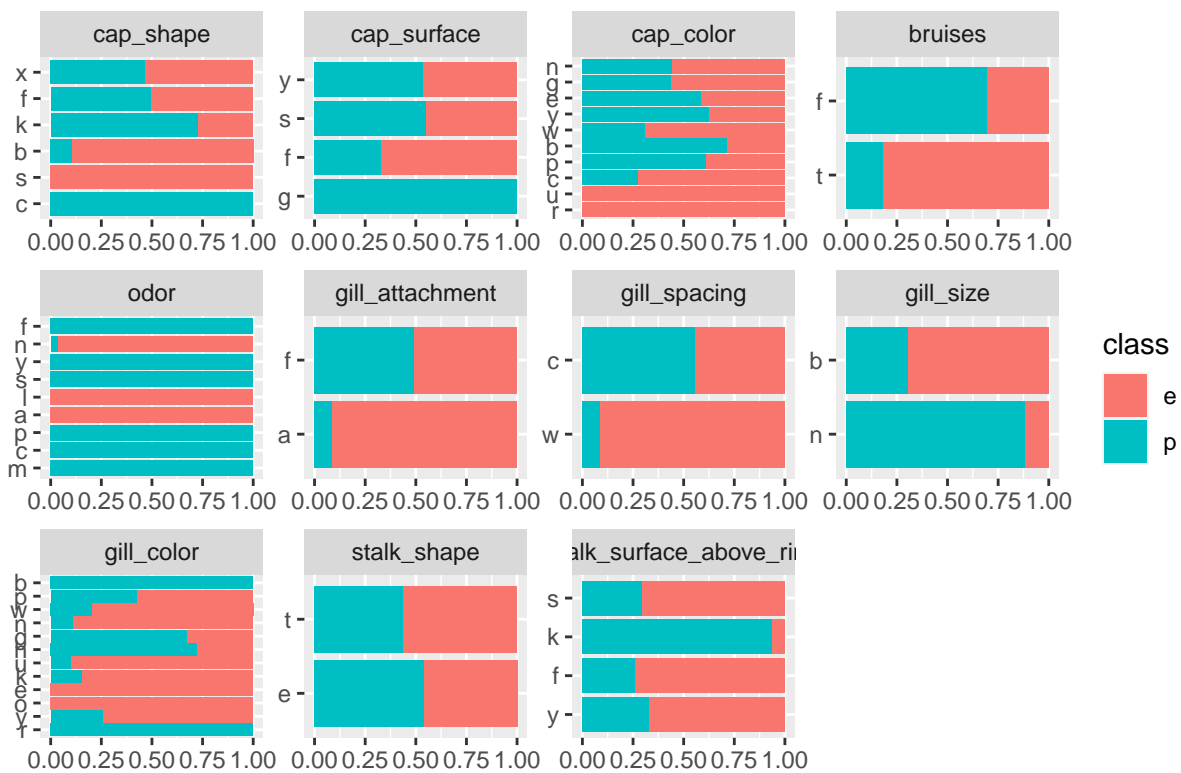
2. Data Exploration

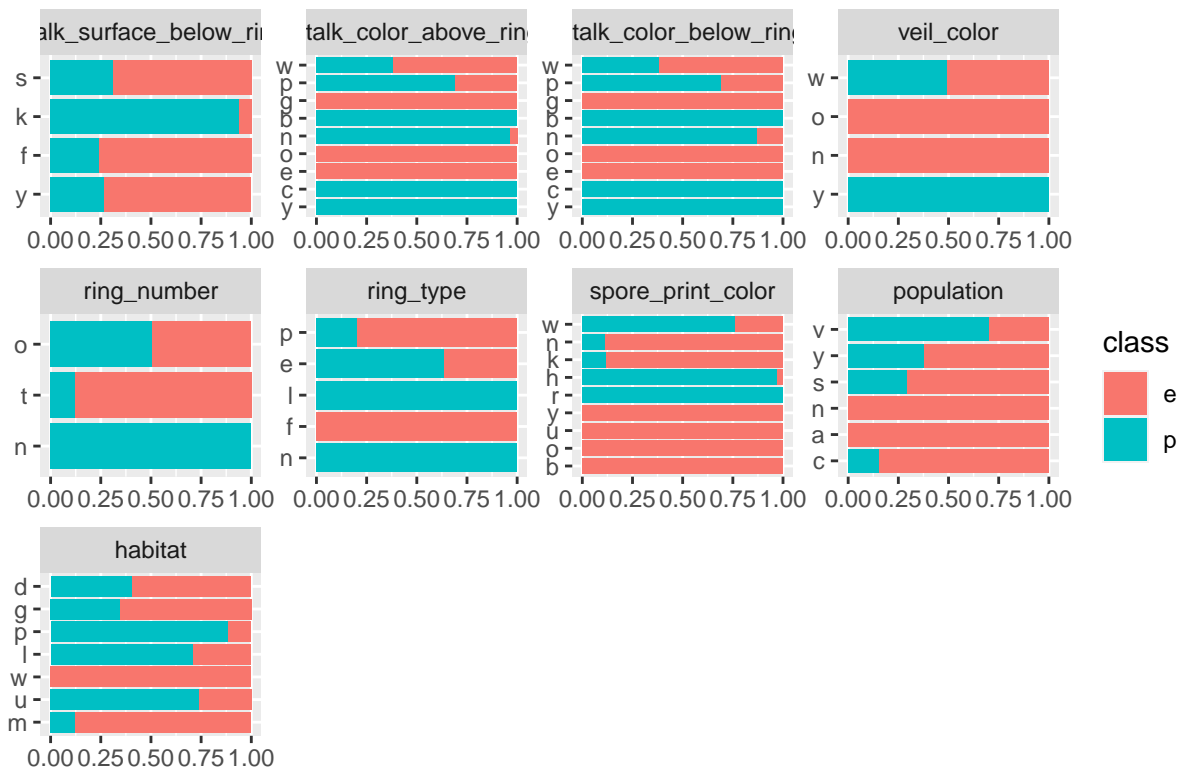






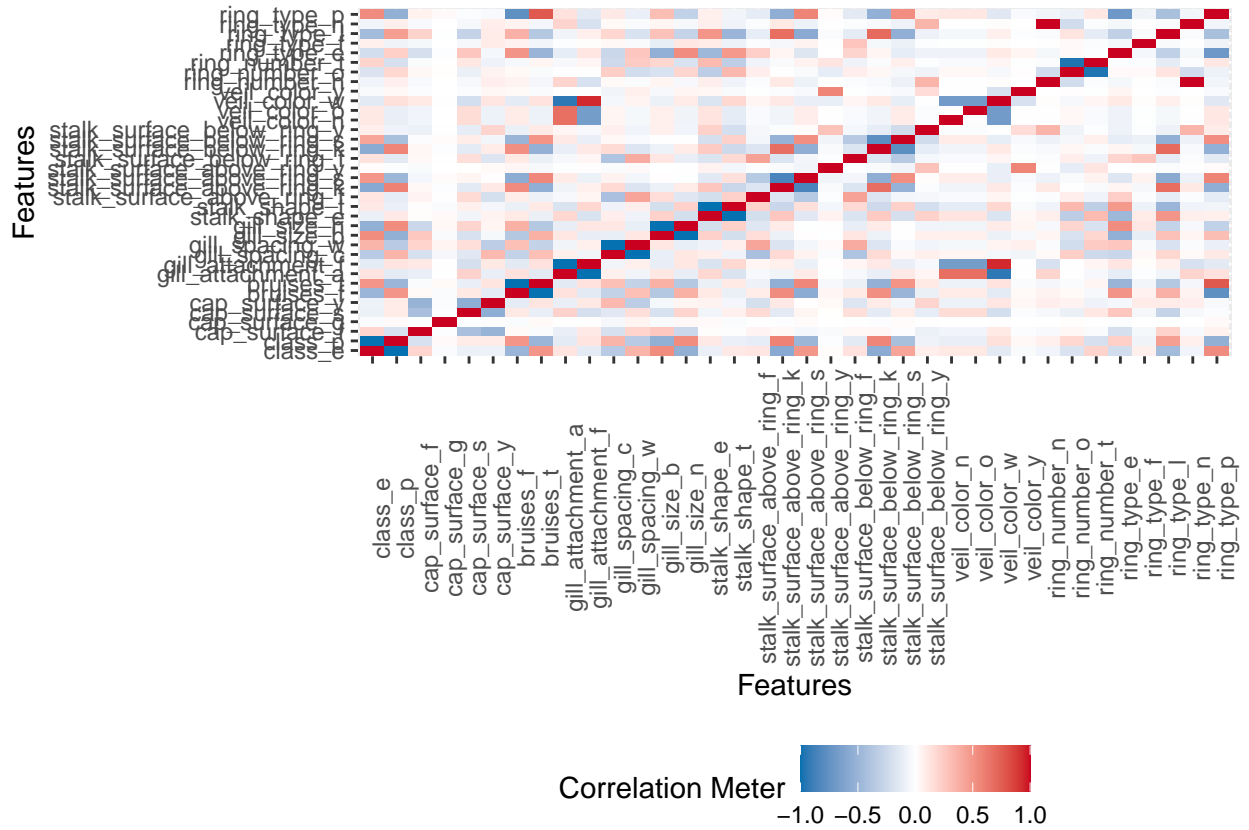
Frequency





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```
## 9 features with more than 5 categories ignored!
## cap_shape: 6 categories
## cap_color: 10 categories
## odor: 9 categories
## gill_color: 12 categories
## stalk_color_above_ring: 9 categories
## stalk_color_below_ring: 9 categories
## spore_print_color: 9 categories
## population: 6 categories
## habitat: 7 categories
```

3. Modeling Approach

Result

a results section that presents the modeling results and discusses the model performance

Conclusion

a conclusion section that gives a brief summary of the report, its limitations and future work