# 9.Random Forest on Lab data -genes

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## Aim:

- Predicting health impact of infections utilizing immune parameters as predictors
- Predicted variable: WL as a proxy of health
- To do that we are using immune data from experimental lab infections.
- We are training random forest models on the immune data from experimental lab infections
- And we test them on the field.
- We then compare the differences in the predicted health impact among non-hybrid and hybrid mice.

In this document I am preparing the models using the lab data only.

# Load necessary libraries:

```
#install.packages("optimx", version = "2021-10.12") # this package is required for
#the parasite load package to work
library(tidyverse)
library(tidyr)
library(dplyr)
library(cowplot)
library(randomForest)
library(ggplot2)
library(ggplot2)
library(ggpubr)
library(rfUtilities) # Implements a permutation test cross-validation for
# Random Forests models
```

# Laboratory data

#### Importing the data

We start with the data from experimental lab infections.

```
#import data
hm <- read.csv("output_data/2.imputed_MICE_data_set.csv")</pre>
```

# vectors for selecting

```
"MUC2", "MUC5AC", "MYD88", "NCR1", "PRF1", "RETNLB", "SOCS1",

"TICAM1", "TNF") #"IL.12", "IRG6")

Genes_wild <- c("IFNy", "CXCR3", "IL.6", "IL.13", #"IL.10",

"IL1RN", "CASP1", "CXCL9", "ID01", "IRGM1", "MPO",

"MUC2", "MUC5AC", "MYD88", "NCR1", "PRF1", "RETNLB", "SOCS1",

"TICAM1", "TNF") #, "IL.12", "IRG6")

Facs_lab <- c("Position", "CD4", "Treg", "Div_Treg", "Treg17", "Th1",

"Div_Th1", "Th17", "Div_Th17", "CD8", "Act_CD8",

"Div_Act_CD8", "IFNy_CD4", "IFNy_CD8", "Treg_prop",

"IL17A_CD4")

Facs_wild <- c( "Treg", "CD4", "Treg17", "Th1", "Th17", "CD8",

"Act_CD8", "IFNy_CD4", "IL17A_CD4", "IFNy_CD8")
```

# Data cleaning / preparation

```
# we need to change the in challenge infections to a factor
hm$Parasite_challenge <- as.factor(hm$Parasite_challenge)
hm$MC.Eimeria <- as.factor(hm$MC.Eimeria)

# Here I create a new column, where we get the actual infection status
# According to the melting curve for eimeria
hm <- hm %>%

dplyr::mutate(current_infection = case_when(
    Parasite_challenge == "E_ferrisi" & MC.Eimeria == "TRUE" ~ "E_ferrisi",
    Parasite_challenge == "E_ferrisi" & MC.Eimeria == "FALSE" ~ "uninfected",
    Parasite_challenge == "E_falciformis" & MC.Eimeria == "TRUE" ~ "E_falciformis",
    Parasite_challenge == "E_falciformis" & MC.Eimeria == "TRUE" ~ "uninfected",
    Parasite_challenge == "uninfected" & MC.Eimeria == "TRUE" ~ "infected_eimeria",
    Parasite_challenge == "uninfected" & MC.Eimeria == "FALSE" ~ "uninfected",
    TRUE ~ ""

))
```

#### Splitting data into training and testing sets

Splitting between training and testing: - Assess model performance on unseen data - Avoid over-fitting

#### Cross validation in R

**k** - fold cross validation: the data set is divided into **k** subsets. Each time, one of the **k** subsets is used as the test set and

# Random forest for predicting percentage of maximum weight loss

#### Dividing data into training and testing

```
# prepare the lab data
lab <- hm %>%
 dplyr::filter(origin == "Lab")
#select the imputed gene columns
gene <- lab %>%
  dplyr::select(c(Mouse_ID, all_of(Gene_lab)))
gene <- unique(gene)</pre>
genes <- gene %>%
  dplyr::select(-Mouse_ID)
#remove rows with only nas
genes <- genes[,colSums(is.na(genes))<nrow(genes)]</pre>
#remove colums with only nas
genes <- genes[rowSums(is.na(genes)) != ncol(genes), ]</pre>
# select the same rows from the gene data
gene <- gene[row.names(genes),]</pre>
# select the same rows from the lab data
lab <- lab[row.names(genes),]</pre>
gene <- lab %>%
  dplyr::select(c(Mouse_ID, WL_max)) %>%
 right_join(gene, by = "Mouse_ID")
gene <- unique(gene) %>%
  dplyr::select(-Mouse_ID)
```

#### Cross validation

mtry: Number of variable is randomly collected to be sampled at each split time ntree: Number of trees you are going to grow in this random forest

 $https://rpubs.com/jvaldeleon/forest\_repeat\_cv$ 

cross validation

The general procedure is like this.

We shuffle the data by random.

We split it into k-groups. Note that k is an arbitrary parameter. There's no specific criteria to choose the value for k. Typically, it's 5 or 10.

For each unique group:

1. Take the group as a hold out or test data set

- 2. Take the remaining groups as a training data set
- 3. Fit a model on the training set and evaluate it on the test set
- 4. Retain the evaluation score and discard the model

### Splitting into training and testing

```
# split data into training and test
set.seed(333) # this will help us reproduce this random assignment

# in this way we can pick the random numbers
training.samples <- createDataPartition(y = gene$WL_max, p = .7, list = FALSE)

# this is the particition! In this case 0.7 = training data and 0.3 = testing
# we don't want to get a list in return
train.data <- gene[training.samples, ]
test.data <- gene[-training.samples, ]</pre>
```

## Building the model

```
set.seed(333)
#train the model
WL predict gene <- randomForest(WL max ~., data = train.data,
                                    proximity = TRUE, ntree = 1000)
# ntree = number of trees
# save the model
save(WL_predict_gene, file = "r_scripts/models/WL_predict_gene.RData")
print(WL_predict_gene)
##
## Call:
   randomForest(formula = WL_max ~ ., data = train.data, proximity = TRUE,
##
                                                                               ntree = 1000)
                  Type of random forest: regression
##
                        Number of trees: 1000
## No. of variables tried at each split: 6
##
##
             Mean of squared residuals: 42.71359
##
                       % Var explained: 30.26
```

Plotting the WL\_predict\_gene will illustrate the error rate as we average across more trees and shows that our error rate stabalizes with around 200 trees.

#### Model - quality testing

#### **Cross-validation**

MSE: As a brief explanation, mean squared error (MSE) is the average of the summation of the squared difference between the actual output value and the predicted output value. Our goal is to reduce the MSE as much as possible.

Variance explained: %explained variance is a measure of how well out-of-bag predictions explain the target

```
variance of the training set.
predict_WL_cv <- rf.crossValidation(x = WL_predict_gene, xdata = train.data,</pre>
                                         p = 0.10, n = 99, ntree = 501)
## running: regression cross-validation with 99 iterations
predict_WL_cv$fit.var.exp
## [1] 30.26
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(predict_WL_cv)
# Root Mean Squared Error (observed vs. predicted) from each Bootstrap
# iteration (cross-validation)
plot(predict_WL_cv, stat = "mse")
#Percent variance explained from specified fit model
plot(predict_WL_cv, stat = "var.exp")
#Mean Absolute Error from each Bootstrapped model
plot(predict_WL_cv, stat = "mae")
          Cross-validated Root Mean Squared Error
                                                                       Model Mean Square Error
                                                       10.5
                                                       9.5
                                                       9.0
                                                       8.5
                                                       8.0
                    40
                                      80
                                              100
                                                                   20
                                                                           40
                                                                                                     100
                        rmse
             Model percent variance explained
                                                                   Cross-validated Mean Absolute Error
87
86
                                                       3.0
85
                                                       2.5
84
                                                       2.0
83
                                                       1.5
                                                       0.1
82
```

20

40

mae

60

80

100

80

100

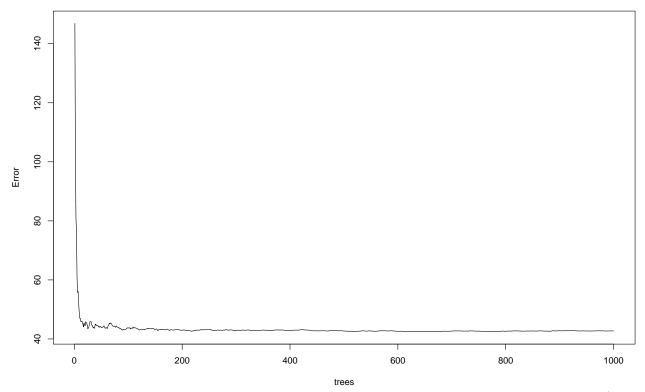
20

40

var.exp

#### plot(WL\_predict\_gene)

#### WL\_predict\_gene



The plotted error rate above is based on the OOB sample error and can be accessed directly at m1\$mse. Thus, we can find which number of trees providing the lowest error rate

```
which.min(WL_predict_gene$mse)

## [1] 672

# RMSE of this optimal random forest
sqrt(WL predict gene$mse[which.min(WL predict gene$mse)])
```

## [1] 6.513635

#### https://uc-r.github.io/s

# number of trees with lowest MSE

RandomForest also allows us to use a validation set to measure predictive accuracy if we did not want to use the OOB samples.

Tutorial: https://hackernoon.com/random-forest-regression-in-r-code-and-interpretation

Random forest regression in R provides two outputs: decrease in mean square error (MSE) and node purity. Prediction error described as MSE is based on permuting out-of-bag sections of the data per individual tree and predictor, and the errors are then averaged. In the regression context, Node purity is the total decrease in residual sum of squares when splitting on a variable averaged over all trees (i.e. how well a predictor decreases variance). MSE is a more reliable measure of variable importance. If the two importance metrics show different results, listen to MSE. If all of your predictors are numerical, then it shouldn't be too much of an issue

Mean Decrease Gini (IncNodePurity) - This is a measure of variable importance based on the Gini impurity index used for the calculating the splits in trees.

Improving Your Model Your model depends on the quality of your dataset and the type of Machine Learning algorithm used. Therefore, to improve the accuracy of your model, you should:

Check what attributes affect our model the most and what variables to leave out in future analysis Find out what other attributes affect a person's wage; we can use as predictors in future analysis Tweak the algorithm (e.g. change the ntree value) Use a different machine learning algorithm If any of these reduces the RMSE significantly, you have succeeded in improving your model!

# Application of WL\_predict\_gene

## Using the testing data

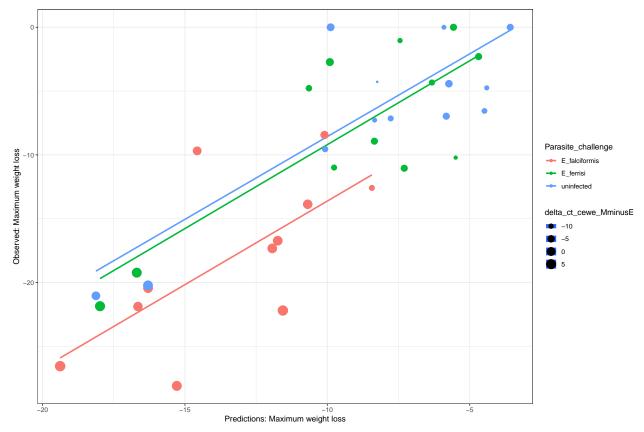
Let's now make some predictions using our test data.

```
#The predict() function in R is used to predict the values based on the
# input data.
predictions <- predict(WL_predict_gene, test.data)</pre>
# assign test.data to a new object, so that we can make changes
result <- test.data
#add the new variable of predictions to the result object
result <- cbind(result, predictions)</pre>
# what is the correlation between predicted and actual data?
cor(result$WL_max, result$predictions,
   method = c("pearson", "kendall", "spearman"))
## [1] 0.8380372
cor.test(result$WL_max, result$predictions)
##
   Pearson's product-moment correlation
##
## data: result$WL_max and result$predictions
## t = 9.4683, df = 38, p-value = 1.524e-11
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 0.7125414 0.9115742
## sample estimates:
##
         cor
## 0.8380372
cor(result$WL_max, result$predictions,
   method = "spearman")
## [1] 0.7529799
test lab <- lab %>%
  left_join(result, by = c("WL_max", "IFNy", "CXCR3", "IL.6", "IL.13", #"IL.10",
                "IL1RN", "CASP1", "CXCL9", "ID01", "IRGM1", "MP0",
                "MUC2", "MUC5AC", "MYD88", "NCR1", "PRF1", "RETNLB", "SOCS1",
                "TICAM1", "TNF"))
test_lab <- test_lab %>%
  drop_na(predictions)
```

# Visualizing the predictions

trying to find a way to represent the delta ct for the negative ones please find a better way to do this test\_lab <- test\_lab %>% dplyr::mutate(Infection\_intensity = case\_when( Parasite\_challenge == "uninfected"  $\sim$  -9, TRUE  $\sim$  delta ct cewe MminusE))

```
# what is the correlation between predicted and actual data?
cor(result$WL_max, result$predictions,
   method = c("pearson", "kendall", "spearman"))
## [1] 0.8380372
test_lab
           %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = predictions, y = WL_max, color = Parasite_challenge,
                 size = delta_ct_cewe_MminusE)) +
  geom_smooth(method = lm, se = FALSE) +
  labs(x = "Predictions: Maximum weight loss",
      y = "Observed: Maximum weight loss") +
  geom_point(aes(x = predictions, y = WL_max,
                 color = Parasite challenge, size = delta ct cewe MminusE)) +
  labs(x = "Predictions: Maximum weight loss",
      y = "Observed: Maximum weight loss") +
   theme_bw()
## Warning: Using `size` aesthetic for lines was deprecated in ggplot2 3.4.0.
## i Please use `linewidth` instead.
## `geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
## Warning: The following aesthetics were dropped during statistical transformation: size
## i This can happen when ggplot fails to infer the correct grouping structure in
    the data.
## i Did you forget to specify a `group` aesthetic or to convert a numerical
    variable into a factor?
## Warning: Removed 4 rows containing missing values (`geom_point()`).
```



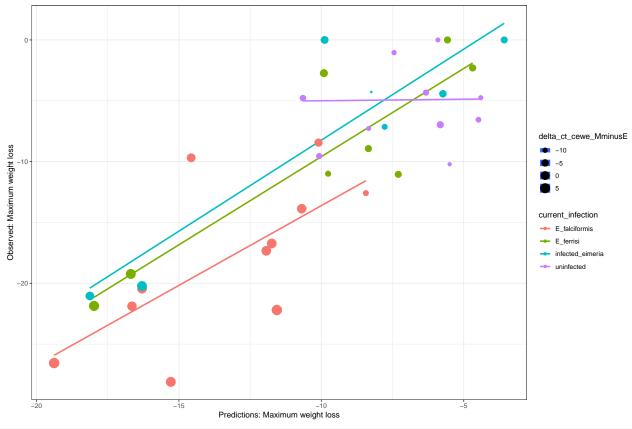
cor(test\_lab\$predictions, test\_lab\$WL\_max, method = "spearman")

## Removed 4 rows containing missing values (`geom\_point()`).

```
## [1] 0.7529799
```

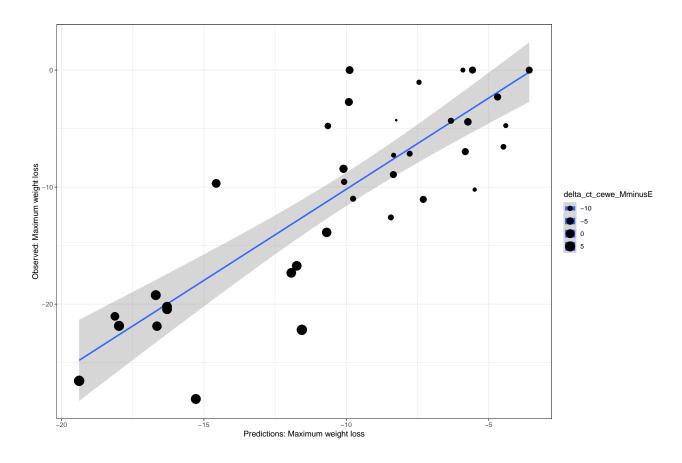
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```

variable into a factor?



# Repeating the process using the whole data set as a training data set

# Building the model

```
#train the model
WL_predict_gene <- randomForest(WL_max ~., data = gene,</pre>
                                    proximity = TRUE, ntree = 1000)
# ntree = number of trees
# save the model
# toa = trained on all
saveRDS(WL_predict_gene, "r_scripts/models/predict_WL.rds")
print(WL_predict_gene)
##
    randomForest(formula = WL_max ~ ., data = gene, proximity = TRUE, ntree = 1000)
##
                  Type of random forest: regression
                        Number of trees: 1000
##
## No. of variables tried at each split: 6
##
##
             Mean of squared residuals: 33.97232
                       % Var explained: 45.18
##
other models
```

#### Predicing parasite: splliting into training and testing

```
lab$Parasite_challenge <- as.factor(lab$Parasite_challenge)

gene_curr <- lab %>%
    dplyr::select(c(Mouse_ID, all_of(Gene_lab), Parasite_challenge))

gene <- gene_curr %>%
    dplyr::select(-Mouse_ID)

# split data into training and test
set.seed(123) # this will help us reproduce this random assignment
# in this way we can pick the random numbers
training.samples <- gene$Parasite_challenge%>%
    createDataPartition(p = .7, list = FALSE)
train.data_parasite <- gene[training.samples, ]
test.data_parasite <- gene[-training.samples, ]</pre>
```

#removing infections with falciformis, as we have very few infections and make our model unreliable

#### Predicing parasite: splliting into training and testing

```
lab2 <- lab %>%
    dplyr::filter(current_infection %in% c("E_ferrisi", "uninfected"))

lab2$current_infection <- as.factor(lab2$current_infection)

gene_curr <- lab2 %>%
    dplyr::select(c(Mouse_ID, all_of(Gene_lab), current_infection))

gene <- gene_curr %>%
    dplyr::select(-Mouse_ID)

# split data into training and test
set.seed(123) # this will help us reproduce this random assignment
# in this way we can pick the random numbers
training.samples <- gene$current_infection%>%
    createDataPartition(p = .7, list = FALSE)
train.data_parasite <- gene[training.samples, ]
test.data_parasite <- gene[-training.samples, ]</pre>
```

#### Building the model\_Parasite

```
# save the model
save(model_Parasite, file = "r_scripts/models/predict_infecting_parasite.RData")
print(model Parasite)
##
## Call:
   randomForest(formula = current_infection ~ ., data = train.data_parasite,
##
                                                                                    proximity = TRUE, nt:
                  Type of random forest: classification
                        Number of trees: 1500
##
## No. of variables tried at each split: 4
##
           OOB estimate of error rate: 29.69%
##
## Confusion matrix:
##
              E_ferrisi uninfected class.error
## E ferrisi
                     22
                                     0.2903226
```

#### Quality checks

## uninfected

10

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**Cross-validation** MSE: As a brief explanation, mean squared error (MSE) is the average of the summation of the squared difference between the actual output value and the predicted output value. Our goal is to reduce the MSE as much as possible.

0.3030303

Variance explained: %explained variance is a measure of how well out-of-bag predictions explain the target variance of the training set.

#### Testing the model: Predictions

```
#The predict() function in R is used to predict the values based on the input
# data.
predictions_parasite <- predict(model_Parasite, test.data_parasite)
# assign test.data to a new object, so that we can make changes
result_parasite <- test.data_parasite
# add the new variable of predictions to the result object
result_parasite <- cbind(result_parasite, predictions_parasite)
# add the results to a data frame containing test data and the prediction
result_parasite <- cbind(lab2[row.names(result_parasite), ], predictions_parasite)</pre>
```

#### Visualizing predictions\_parasite

```
conf_matrix_parasite <-
confusionMatrix(</pre>
```

```
result_parasite$predictions_parasite,
   reference = result_parasite$current_infection)
print(conf_matrix_parasite)
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##
               Reference
## Prediction E_ferrisi uninfected
##
     E ferrisi
                        8
##
     uninfected
                        5
                                  11
##
##
                  Accuracy : 0.7037
                    95% CI: (0.4982, 0.8625)
##
##
       No Information Rate: 0.5185
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 0.04012
##
##
##
                     Kappa : 0.4033
##
   Mcnemar's Test P-Value: 0.72367
##
##
##
               Sensitivity: 0.6154
##
               Specificity: 0.7857
            Pos Pred Value: 0.7273
##
            Neg Pred Value: 0.6875
##
##
                Prevalence: 0.4815
##
            Detection Rate: 0.2963
##
      Detection Prevalence: 0.4074
##
         Balanced Accuracy: 0.7005
##
##
          'Positive' Class : E_ferrisi
##
conf_matrix_parasite$table
               Reference
##
                E_ferrisi uninfected
## Prediction
     E_ferrisi
                        8
                                   3
     uninfected
                        5
                                  11
plt <- as.data.frame(conf_matrix_parasite$table)</pre>
plt$Prediction <- factor(plt$Prediction, levels=rev(levels(plt$Prediction)))</pre>
ggplot(plt, aes(x = Prediction, y = Reference, fill= Freq)) +
        geom_tile() + geom_text(aes(label=Freq)) +
        scale_fill_gradient(low="white", high="darkturquoise") +
        labs(x = "Predictions",y = "Reference")
```

