Predict Admissions using Classification: Addressing Emergency Department Overcrowding

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Objective:

Predict hospital admission at the time of ED triage



1 in 5 people will seek care from the Emergency Department (ED) in a year



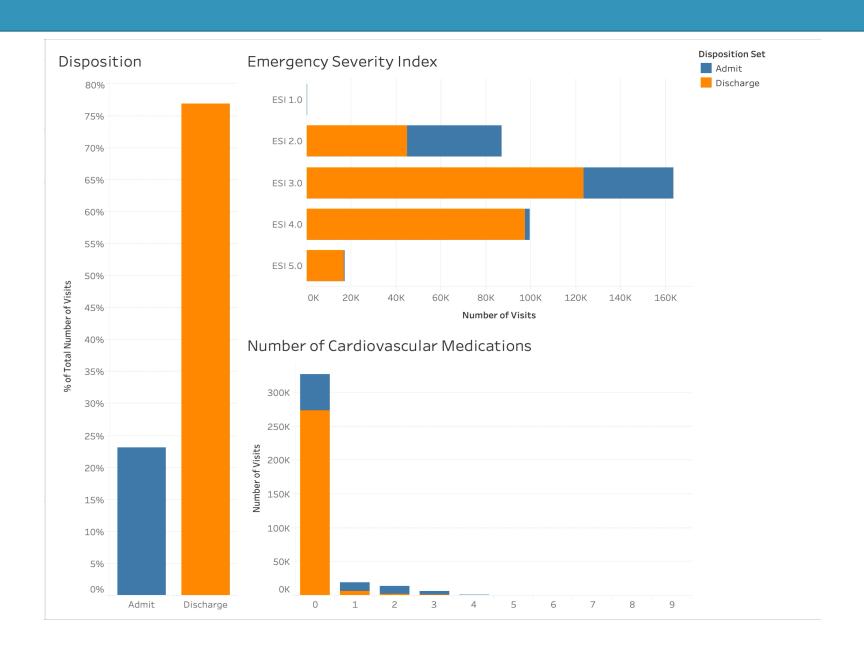
Emergency Department overcrowding and access block can adversely affect patient outcomes



Majority (50%–75%) of patients are admitted to the hospitals through Emergency Department

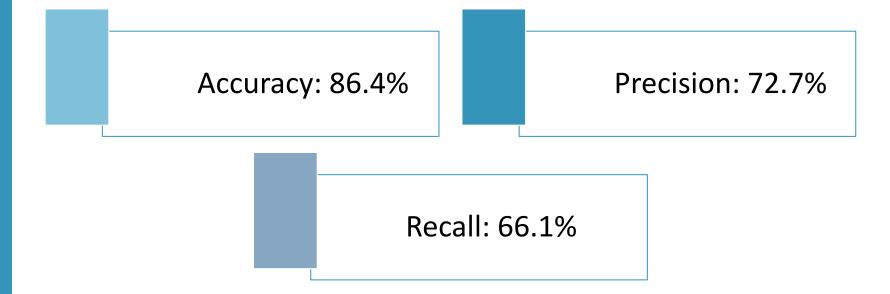
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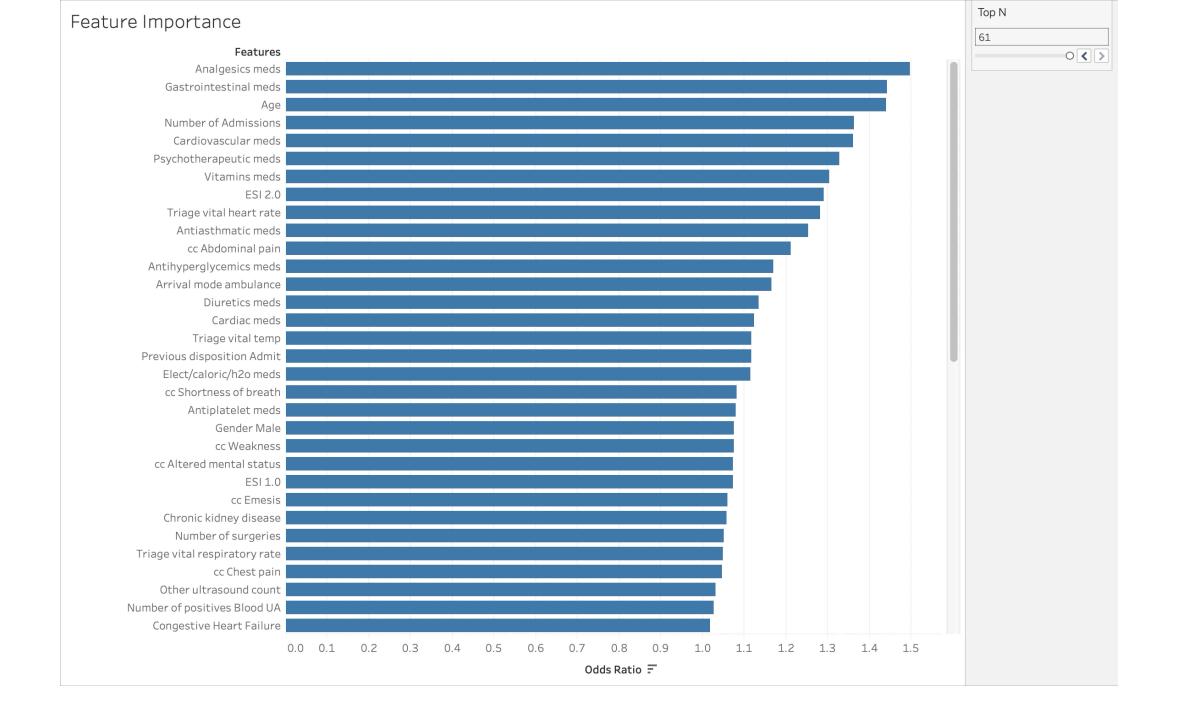
- Adult ED visits between 2014 and 2017
- Features:
 - Triage evaluation information
 - Chief complaint
 - Past medical history
 - Outpatient medications
 - Hospital usage statistics
 - Imaging/EKG counts



Results

• Use logistic regression model to predict whether a person will be admitted or discharged





Conclusion

 Information gathered during triage, along with past medical history, medication information and chief complaint may help to identify patients that will be admitted to the hospital