

Kaggle - Analysis with Titanic Data

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Titanic: Machine Learning from Disaster

Source: <https://www.kaggle.com/c/titanic>

Predict survival on the Titanic (using Excel, Python, R, and Random Forests)

See best practice code and explore visualizations of the Titanic dataset on Kaggle Scripts. Submit directly to the competition, no data download or local environment needed!

The sinking of the RMS Titanic is one of the most infamous shipwrecks in history. On April 15, 1912, during her maiden voyage, the Titanic sank after colliding with an iceberg, killing 1502 out of 2224 passengers and crew. This sensational tragedy shocked the international community and led to better safety regulations for ships.

One of the reasons that the shipwreck led to such loss of life was that there were not enough lifeboats for the passengers and crew. Although there was some element of luck involved in surviving the sinking, some groups of people were more likely to survive than others, such as women, children, and the upper-class.

In this challenge, we ask you to complete the analysis of what sorts of people were likely to survive. In particular, we ask you to apply the tools of machine learning to predict which passengers survived the tragedy.

VARIABLE DESCRIPTIONS:

survival Survival (0 = No; 1 = Yes) pclass Passenger Class (1 = 1st; 2 = 2nd; 3 = 3rd) name Name sex Sex age Age sibsp Number of Siblings/Spouses Aboard parch Number of Parents/Children Aboard ticket Ticket Number fare Passenger Fare cabin Cabin embarked Port of Embarkation (C = Cherbourg; Q = Queenstown; S = Southampton)

SPECIAL NOTES:

Pclass is a proxy for socio-economic status (SES) 1st ~ Upper; 2nd ~ Middle; 3rd ~ Lower

Age is in Years; Fractional if Age less than One (1) If the Age is Estimated, it is in the form xx.5

With respect to the family relation variables (i.e. sibsp and parch) some relations were ignored. The following are the definitions used for sibsp and parch.

Sibling: Brother, Sister, Stepbrother, or Stepsister of Passenger Aboard Titanic Spouse: Husband or Wife of Passenger Aboard Titanic (Mistresses and Fiances Ignored) Parent: Mother or Father of Passenger Aboard Titanic Child: Son, Daughter, Stepson, or Stepdaughter of Passenger Aboard Titanic

Other family relatives excluded from this study include cousins, nephews/nieces, aunts/uncles, and in-laws. Some children travelled only with a nanny, therefore parch=0 for them. As well, some travelled with very close friends or neighbors in a village, however, the definitions do not support such relations.

We start loading the data sets from Kaggle.

```
setwd("c:/EMC/Cursos/GitHub/Practice-With-Titanic/")
train <- read.csv("train.csv")
test <- read.csv("test.csv")
```

Loading Libraries

```
library(randomForest)
```

```
## Warning: package 'randomForest' was built under R version 3.1.3
```

```
## randomForest 4.6-10
## Type rfNews() to see new features/changes/bug fixes.
```

Review Data

```
summary(train)
```

```
##   PassengerId      Survived  Pclass
##   Min.   : 1.0   Min.   :0.0000   Min.   :1.000
##   1st Qu.:223.5   1st Qu.:0.0000   1st Qu.:2.000
##   Median :446.0   Median :0.0000   Median :3.000
##   Mean   :446.0   Mean   :0.3838   Mean   :2.309
##   3rd Qu.:668.5   3rd Qu.:1.0000   3rd Qu.:3.000
##   Max.   :891.0   Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :3.000
##
##                                     Name      Sex      Age
##   Abbing, Mr. Anthony              : 1   female:314   Min.   : 0.42
##   Abbott, Mr. Rossmore Edward      : 1   male  :577   1st Qu.:20.12
##   Abbott, Mrs. Stanton (Rosa Hunt) : 1                                Median :28.00
##   Abelson, Mr. Samuel              : 1                                Mean   :29.70
##   Abelson, Mrs. Samuel (Hannah Wizosky): 1                        3rd Qu.:38.00
##   Adahl, Mr. Mauritz Nils Martin    : 1                                Max.   :80.00
##   (Other)                          :885                        NA's   :177
##
##   SibSp      Parch      Ticket      Fare
##   Min.   :0.000   Min.   :0.0000   1601   : 7   Min.   : 0.00
##   1st Qu.:0.000   1st Qu.:0.0000   347082 : 7   1st Qu.: 7.91
##   Median :0.000   Median :0.0000   CA. 2343: 7   Median :14.45
##   Mean   :0.523   Mean   :0.3816   3101295 : 6   Mean   :32.20
##   3rd Qu.:1.000   3rd Qu.:0.0000   347088 : 6   3rd Qu.:31.00
##   Max.   :8.000   Max.   :6.0000   CA 2144 : 6   Max.   :512.33
##
##                                     (Other) :852
##
##   Cabin      Embarked
##   :687      : 2
##   B96 B98    : 4   C:168
##   C23 C25 C27: 4   Q: 77
```

```
## G6      : 4   S:644
## C22 C26 : 3
## D       : 3
## (Other) :186
```

```
summary(test)
```

```
## PassengerId      Pclass
## Min.   : 892.0    Min.   :1.000
## 1st Qu.: 996.2    1st Qu.:1.000
## Median :1100.5    Median :3.000
## Mean   :1100.5    Mean   :2.266
## 3rd Qu.:1204.8    3rd Qu.:3.000
## Max.   :1309.0    Max.   :3.000
##
##                                     Name      Sex
## Abbott, Master. Eugene Joseph      : 1   female:152
## Abelseth, Miss. Karen Marie        : 1   male  :266
## Abelseth, Mr. Olaus Jorgensen      : 1
## Abrahamsson, Mr. Abraham August Johannes : 1
## Abraham, Mrs. Joseph (Sophie Halaut Easu): 1
## Aks, Master. Philip Frank          : 1
## (Other)                            :412
##      Age      SibSp      Parch      Ticket
## Min.   : 0.17    Min.   :0.0000    Min.   :0.0000    PC 17608: 5
## 1st Qu.:21.00    1st Qu.:0.0000    1st Qu.:0.0000    113503 : 4
## Median :27.00    Median :0.0000    Median :0.0000    CA. 2343: 4
## Mean   :30.27    Mean   :0.4474    Mean   :0.3923    16966 : 3
## 3rd Qu.:39.00    3rd Qu.:1.0000    3rd Qu.:0.0000    220845 : 3
## Max.   :76.00    Max.   :8.0000    Max.   :9.0000    347077 : 3
## NA's   :86                                     (Other) :396
##      Fare      Cabin      Embarked
## Min.   : 0.000      :327    C:102
## 1st Qu.: 7.896    B57 B59 B63 B66: 3    Q: 46
## Median :14.454    A34      : 2    S:270
## Mean   :35.627    B45      : 2
## 3rd Qu.:31.500    C101     : 2
## Max.   :512.329    C116     : 2
## NA's   :1         (Other)   : 80
```

Analizing data

- 1 Age: We have many missing values on train and test datasets.
- 2 Fare: We have 1 missing value on test dataset.
- 3 Embarked: We have 2 observations with “blank” value on train dataset.

Random Forest

To submit our Prediction, we can use Random Forest with all variables, but we will recive a message error because some of them are incomplete. So, we need to use only Pclass, Sex, Sibsp and Parch.

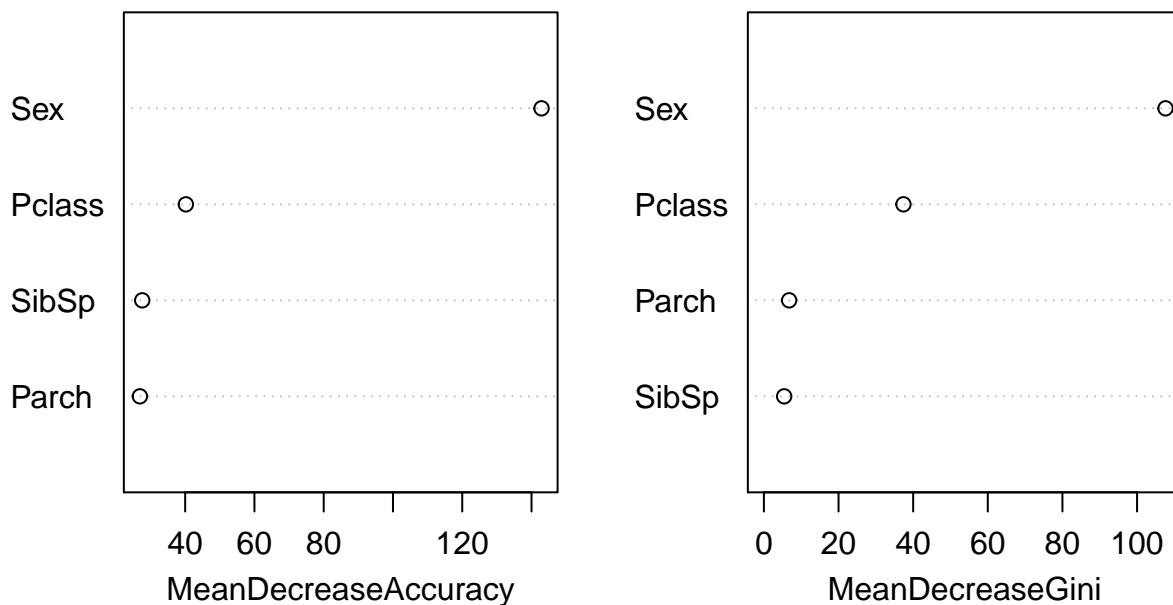
```
TitanicRF <- randomForest(as.factor(Survived) ~ Pclass + Sex + SibSp + Parch,
                          data = train, nodesize = 100, ntree = 2444, importance = TRUE)
PredictRF <- predict(TitanicRF, newdata = test)
PredTest <- predict(TitanicRF, newdata=test, type="response")
MySubmission <- data.frame(PassengerID = test$PassengerId, Survived = PredTest)
write.csv(MySubmission, "Submission1.csv", row.names=FALSE)
```

But you will obtain and score of 0.77512 with this submission.

checking importance of variables

```
varImpPlot(TitanicRF)
```

TitanicRF



Looks like Pclass and Sex are the most important variables.

To improve a better score, we need to solve those missing values

Inputting missing Fare value for test dataset

We need to set a guess price (Fare) for this observation. Investigate about this person to figure out better what was the Fare.

```
test[which(is.na(test$Fare)), ]
```

```
##      PassengerId Pclass      Name  Sex  Age SibSp Parch Ticket
```

```
## 153      1044      3 Storey, Mr. Thomas male 60.5      0      0      3701
##      Fare Cabin Embarked
## 153      NA              S
```

Looking prices for people with the same info.

```
MissingFare <- median(train[train$Pclass == 3 & train$Embarked == "S" & train$Age > 50 & train$Sex == "male"], na.rm=TRUE)
MissingFare
```

```
## [1] 7.75
```

Setting missing Fare with the average of people with the same characteristics.

```
test[153, "Fare"] <- MissingFare
```

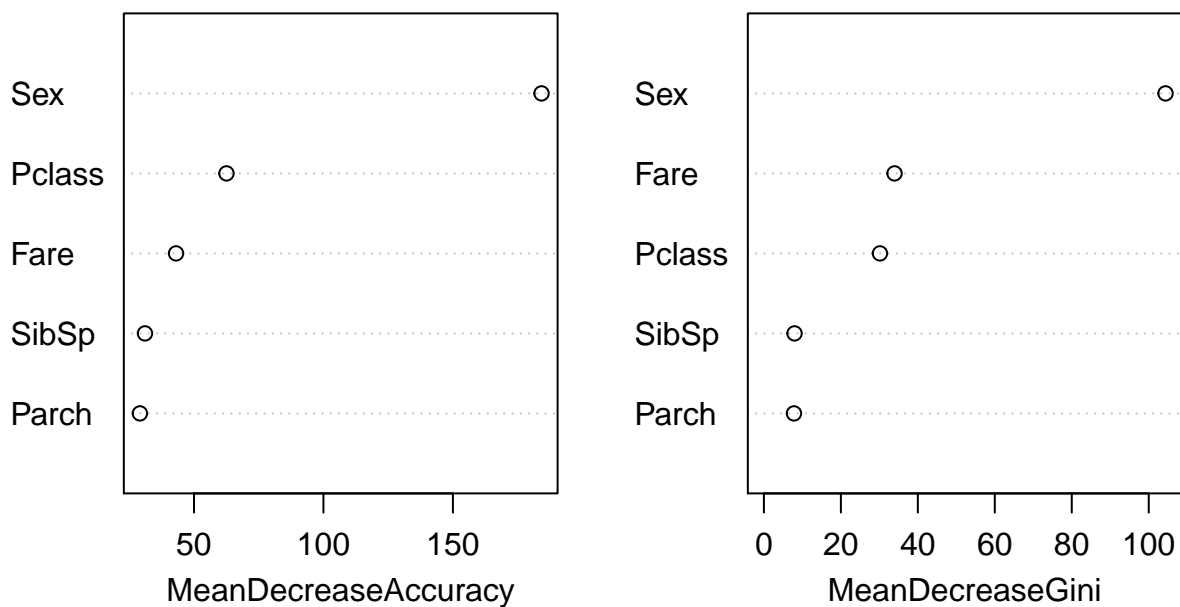
Creating a new Random Forest adding Fare variable.

```
TitanicRF <- randomForest(as.factor(Survived) ~ Pclass + Sex + SibSp + Parch + Fare,
                          data = train, nodesize = 50, ntree = 2444, importance = TRUE)
PredictRF <- predict(TitanicRF, newdata = test)
PredTest <- predict(TitanicRF, newdata=test, type="response")
MySubmission <- data.frame(PassengerID = test$PassengerId, Survived = PredTest)
write.csv(MySubmission, "Submission2.csv", row.names=FALSE)
```

We receive 0.78469 with this submission.

```
varImpPlot(TitanicRF)
```

TitanicRF



Inputting Embarked value on train dataset

checking what is the observation with missing Embarked variable

```
train[train$Embarked == "", ]
```

```
##      PassengerId Survived Pclass                               Name
## 62             62         1      1                               Icard, Miss. Amelie
## 830            830         1      1 Stone, Mrs. George Nelson (Martha Evelyn)
##      Sex Age SibSp Parch Ticket Fare Cabin Embarked
## 62 female  38     0     0 113572   80   B28
## 830 female  62     0     0 113572   80   B28
```

Looking similarities

```
table(train[train$Survived == 1 & train$Pclass == 1, "Embarked"])
```

```
##
##      C  Q  S
## 2 59  1 74
```

we can inputting a value "S" (Southampton) because is a majority.

```
train$Embarked[c(62,830)] = "S"
train$Embarked <- factor(train$Embarked)
```

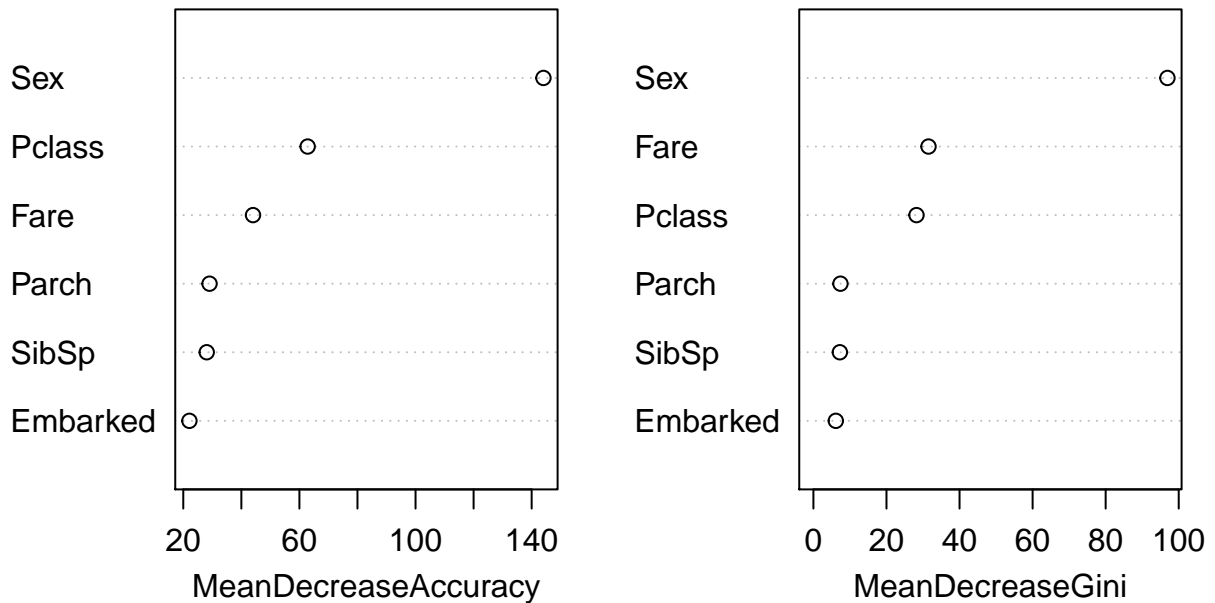
```
trainEmbarked <- factor(trainEmbarked)
```

```
TitanicRF <- randomForest(as.factor(Survived) ~ Pclass + Sex + SibSp + Parch + Fare + Embarked,
                          data = train, nodesize = 50, ntree = 2444, importance = TRUE)
PredictRF <- predict(TitanicRF, newdata = test)
PredTest <- predict(TitanicRF, newdata=test, type="response")
MySubmission <- data.frame(PassengerID = test$PassengerId, Survived = PredTest)
write.csv(MySubmission, "Submission3.csv", row.names=FALSE)
```

No improvement with Embarked.

```
varImpPlot(TitanicRF)
```

TitanicRF



Trying to solve missing Age info.

If we check some names, we can observe that they have their Title embedded. For example “master”

“Master is an English honorific for boys and young men.”

Checking all “masters” in training data.

```
train[grep("Master.", train$Name, fixed = TRUE), c("Name", "Age")]
```

##	Name	Age
## 8	Palsson, Master. Gosta Leonard	2.00
## 17	Rice, Master. Eugene	2.00
## 51	Panula, Master. Juha Niilo	7.00
## 60	Goodwin, Master. William Frederick	11.00
## 64	Skoog, Master. Harald	4.00
## 66	Moubarek, Master. Gerios	NA
## 79	Caldwell, Master. Alden Gates	0.83
## 126	Nicola-Yarred, Master. Elias	12.00
## 160	Sage, Master. Thomas Henry	NA
## 165	Panula, Master. Eino Viljami	1.00
## 166	Goldsmith, Master. Frank John William "Frankie"	9.00
## 172	Rice, Master. Arthur	4.00
## 177	Lefebvre, Master. Henry Forbes	NA
## 183	Asplund, Master. Clarence Gustaf Hugo	9.00

```
## 184 Becker, Master. Richard F 1.00
## 194 Navratil, Master. Michel M 3.00
## 262 Asplund, Master. Edwin Rojj Felix 3.00
## 279 Rice, Master. Eric 7.00
## 306 Allison, Master. Hudson Trevor 0.92
## 341 Navratil, Master. Edmond Roger 2.00
## 349 Coutts, Master. William Loch "William" 3.00
## 387 Goodwin, Master. Sidney Leonard 1.00
## 408 Richards, Master. William Rowe 3.00
## 446 Dodge, Master. Washington 4.00
## 481 Goodwin, Master. Harold Victor 9.00
## 490 Coutts, Master. Eden Leslie "Neville" 9.00
## 550 Davies, Master. John Morgan Jr 8.00
## 710 Moubarek, Master. Halim Gonios ("William George") NA
## 752 Moor, Master. Meier 6.00
## 756 Hamalainen, Master. Viljo 0.67
## 788 Rice, Master. George Hugh 8.00
## 789 Dean, Master. Bertram Vere 1.00
## 803 Carter, Master. William Thornton II 11.00
## 804 Thomas, Master. Assad Alexander 0.42
## 820 Skoog, Master. Karl Thorsten 10.00
## 825 Panula, Master. Urho Abraham 2.00
## 828 Mallet, Master. Andre 1.00
## 832 Richards, Master. George Sibley 0.83
## 851 Andersson, Master. Sigvard Harald Elias 4.00
## 870 Johnson, Master. Harold Theodor 4.00
```

checking their ages

```
summary(train$Age[grepl("Master.", train$Name, fixed = TRUE)])
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.     NA's
##  0.420   1.000   3.500   4.574   8.000  12.000         4
```

So, is a good idea setting the Median to those missing values. And we can use their Title (and other variables) to set those missing values.

To do this, we need to create a new variable and find this characteristic inside the name (Miss, Mrs., Ms., Mme., for example.)

Creating variable Title

for this case, we need to merge both sets, but considering number of variables.

```
all_set <- rbind(train[, -2], test)

all_set$Title <- NA
all_set$Alias <- 0

all_set$Title[grepl("Master.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Master."
all_set$Title[grepl("Miss", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Miss"
all_set$Title[grepl("Mr.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Mr."
```



```

all_set$Title[grepl("Mrs.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Mrs."
all_set$Title[grepl("Rev.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Rev."
all_set$Title[grepl("Don.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Don."
all_set$Title[grepl("Dr.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Dr."
all_set$Title[grepl("Major.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Major."
all_set$Title[grepl("Jonkheer", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Jonkheer"
all_set$Title[grepl("Col.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Col."
all_set$Title[grepl("Mme.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Mme."
all_set$Title[grepl("Ms.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Ms."
all_set$Title[grepl("Lady.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Lady."
all_set$Title[grepl("Sir.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Sir."
all_set$Title[grepl("Mlle.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Mlle."
all_set$Title[grepl("Capt.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Capt."
all_set$Title[grepl("the Countess.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "the Countess"
# Dona is spanish. We need change to Miss.
all_set$Title[grepl("Dona.", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- "Miss"
all_set$Alias[grepl("(", all_set$Name, fixed = TRUE)] <- 1

# Set a factor for this new variable
all_set$Title <- as.factor(all_set$Title)

# Copying Factors to test dataset
levels(test$Title) <- levels(train$Title)

```

Setting Age variable for missing values

```
library(rpart)
```

```
## Warning: package 'rpart' was built under R version 3.1.3
```

```

age_rpart <- rpart(Age ~ Pclass + Sex + SibSp + Parch + Fare + Embarked + Title, data = all_set[!is.na(Age),])
all_set$Age[is.na(all_set$Age)] <- predict(age_rpart, all_set[is.na(all_set$Age),])

```

Splitting data sets

```

train$Age <- all_set[1:891, "Age"]
train$Title <- all_set[1:891, "Title"]
train$Alias <- all_set[1:891, "Alias"]
test <- all_set[892:1309, ]

```

Creating a new prediction

```

TitanicRF <- randomForest(as.factor(Survived) ~ Pclass + Sex + SibSp + Parch + Fare + Embarked + Age + Title,
                           data = train, nodesize = 25, ntree = 2444, importance = TRUE)

```

```
PredictRF <- predict(TitanicRF, newdata = test)
PredTest <- predict(TitanicRF, newdata=test, type="response")
MySubmission <- data.frame(PassengerId = test$PassengerId, Survived = PredTest)
write.csv(MySubmission, "Submission4.csv", row.names=FALSE)
```

We receive 0.80383 with this submission.

```
varImpPlot(TitanicRF)
```

