

Ranking Applications for Nursery Schools

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Abstract Nursery Database was derived from a hierarchical decision model originally developed to rank applications for nursery schools. Our task was to develop a classification model to develop a reliable recommendation algorithm to predict if a specific student is suitable to be admitted to a nursing school.

Introduction

This section may contain a figure such as Figure 1.



Figure 1: The logo of R.

Background

Introductory section which may include references in parentheses (R Core Team, 2012), or cite a reference such as R Core Team (2012) in the text.

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Source: <http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Nursery>

| class values

not_recom, recommend, very_recom, priority, spec_prior

| attributes

parents:	usual, pretentious, great_pret.
has_nurs:	proper, less_proper, improper, critical, very_crit.
form:	complete, completed, incomplete, foster.
children:	1, 2, 3, more.
housing:	convenient, less_conv, critical.
finance:	convenient, inconv.
social:	nonprob, slightly_prob, problematic.
health:	recommended, priority, not_recom.

Objective and Hypothesis

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Assessment of Situation

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Data understanding

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Preparation

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1	1	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	nonprob	recommended	recommend
2	2	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	nonprob	priority	priority
3	3	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	nonprob	not_recom	not_recom
4	4	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	slightly_prob	recommended	recommend
5	5	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	slightly_prob	priority	priority
6	6	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	slightly_prob	not_recom	not_recom
7	7	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	problematic	recommended	priority
8	8	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	problematic	priority	priority
9	9	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	convenient	problematic	not_recom	not_recom
10	10	usual	proper	complete	1	convenient	incon	nonprob	recommended	very_recom

Table 1: Nursery Data Dataset (head)

Summary of Nursery Data set is extracted by the following 'summary' function, the results are presented in Table 2 and Table 3.

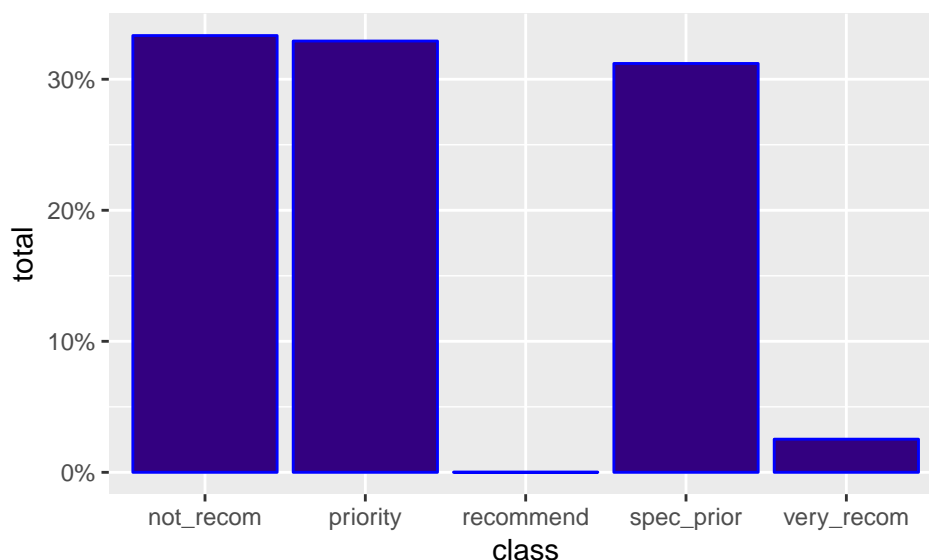
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	X	parents	has_nurs	form	children
X	Min. : 1	great_pret :4320	critical :2592	complete :3240	1 :3240
X.1	1st Qu.: 3241	pretentious:4320	improper :2592	completed :3240	2 :3240
X.2	Median : 6480	usual :4320	less_proper:2592	foster :3240	3 :3240
X.3	Mean : 6480		proper :2592	incomplete:3240	more:3240
X.4	3rd Qu.: 9720		very_crit :2592		
X.5	Max. :12960				

Table 2: Summary of Nursery Data Dataset, columns 1-5

Distribution of Class attribute presented in Figure 2. Morbi volutpat augue vitae porta lobortis. Integer sit amet neque vel risus aliquam scelerisque et eget est. Cras maximus ex nec pharetra dictum. Vivamus vehicula ante sodales massa rhoncus, et blandit tortor interdum. Pellentesque aliquam ligula eu justo porttitor, non fringilla erat vehicula. Pellentesque et dolor non nunc aliquet euismod. Vivamus

	housing	finance	social	health
X	convenient:4320	convenient:6480	nonprob :4320	not_recom :4320
X.1	critical :4320	inconv :6480	problematic :4320	priority :4320
X.2	less_conv :4320		slightly_prob:4320	recommended:4320
X.3				
X.4				
X.5				

Table 3: Summary of Nursery Data Dataset, columns 6-9**Figure 2:** Distribution of Class attribute

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prop.table(table(nursery_data$class))
```

```
#>
#> not_recom priority recommend spec_prior very_recom
#> 0.33333333 0.32916667 0.00015432 0.31203703 0.02530864
```

```
ggplot(nursery_data, aes(x=as.factor(class) )) +
  geom_bar(aes(y= (.count.)/sum(.count.)),color="blue",fill=rgb(0.2,0,0.5)) +
  theme(legend.position = "none") +
  scale_y_continuous(labels=scales::percent) +
  labs(x = "class",y="total")
```

The following code (Figure 3) renders distribution of class attribute depending on parents attribute. Pellentesque aliquam ligula eu justo porttitor, non fringilla erat vehicula. Pellentesque et dolor non nunc aliquet euismod. Vivamus vel malesuada lorem. Fusce eget mauris a nulla sollicitudin eleifend eu auctor ligula. Sed nec dictum lorem. Vestibulum bibendum ultrices lorem, id fermentum felis tincidunt eu. Curabitur ipsum justo, dictum id finibus vitae, pulvinar non tortor. Curabitur vel mi a urna gravida commodo vitae vel libero. Maecenas imperdiet sed diam eget viverra.

```
ggplot(nursery_data,aes(x=factor(parents),fill=factor(class)))+
  geom_bar(position="dodge")
```

The following code (Figure 4) renders distribution of class attribute depending on 'health' attribute. Pellentesque aliquam ligula eu justo porttitor, non fringilla erat vehicula. Pellentesque et dolor non nunc aliquet euismod. Vivamus vel malesuada lorem. Fusce eget mauris a nulla sollicitudin eleifend eu auctor ligula. Sed nec dictum lorem. Vestibulum bibendum ultrices lorem, id fermentum felis

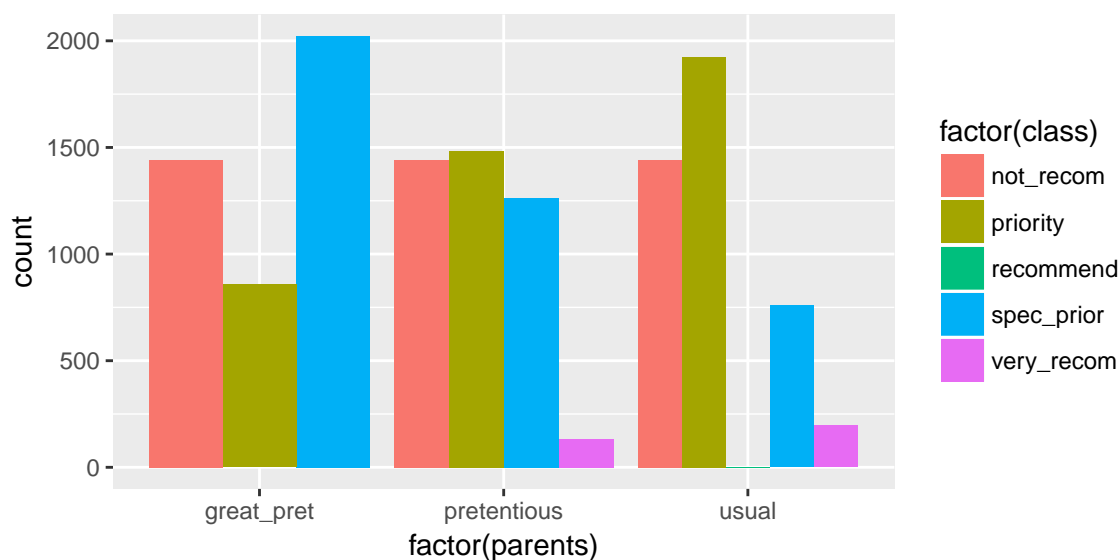


Figure 3: Distribution of Class attribute depending on parents

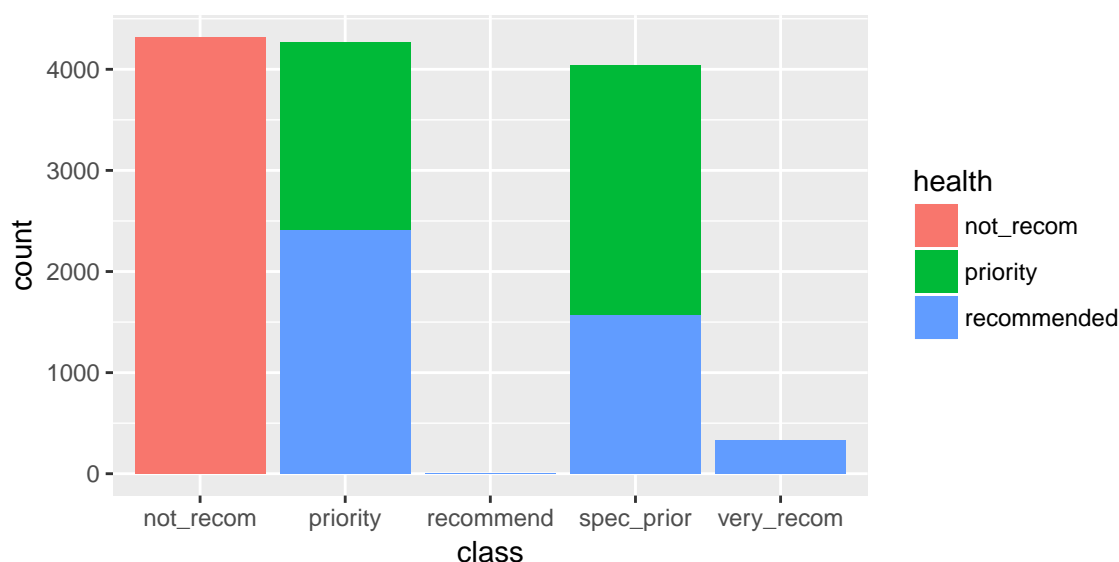


Figure 4: Distribution of Class attribute depending on health

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```
nursery_data$health <- as.factor(nursery_data$health)
ggplot(data = nursery_data, mapping = aes(x = class, fill = health)) +
  geom_bar()
```

The following code (Figure 5) renders distribution of class attribute depending on “social” attribute. Pellentesque aliquam ligula eu justo porttitor, non fringilla erat vehicula. Pellentesque et dolor non nunc aliquet euismod. Vivamus vel malesuada lorem. Fusce eget mauris a nulla sollicitudin eleifend eu auctor ligula. Sed nec dictum lorem. Vestibulum bibendum ultrices lorem, id fermentum felis tincidunt eu. Curabitur ipsum justo, dictum id finibus vitae, pulvinar non tortor. Curabitur vel mi a urna gravida commodo vitae vel libero. Maecenas imperdiet sed diam eget viverra.

```
ggplot(nursery_data, aes(social, fill=class)) +
  geom_bar(aes(y = (..count..)/sum(..count..)), alpha=0.9) +
  facet_wrap(~parents) +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Dark2", direction = -1) +
  scale_y_continuous(labels=scales::percent, breaks=seq(0,0.4,0.05)) +
```

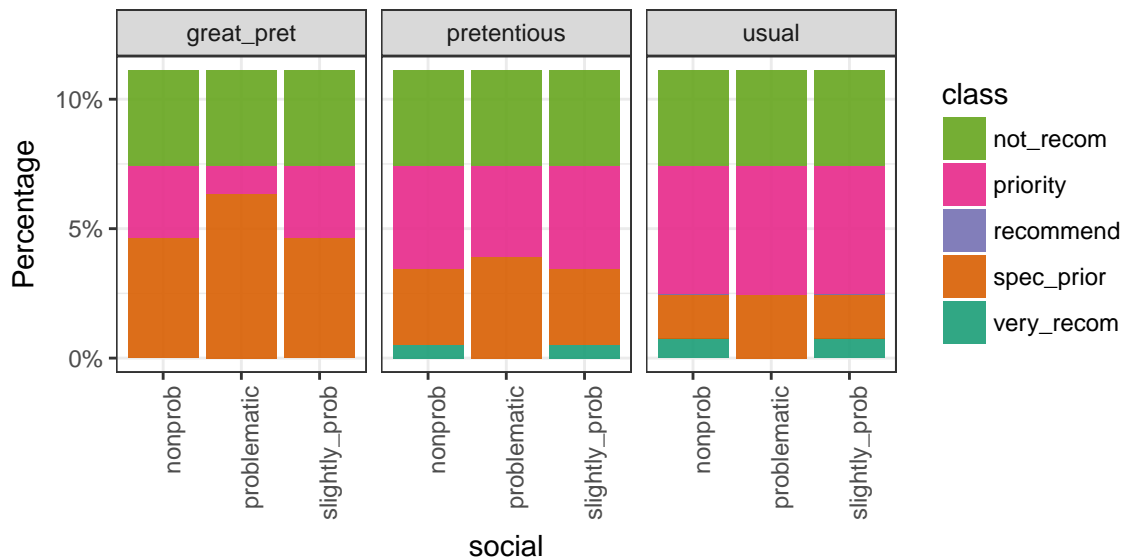


Figure 5: Distribution of Class attribute depending on income

```
ylab("Percentage") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 1))
```

The following code (Figure 5) renders distribution of 'class' attribute depending on 'nursery' attribute. Pellentesque aliquam ligula eu justo porttitor, non fringilla erat vehicula. Pellentesque et dolor non nunc aliquet euismod. Vivamus vel malesuada lorem. Fusce eget mauris a nulla sollicitudin eleifend eu auctor ligula. Sed nec dictum lorem. Vestibulum bibendum ultrices lorem, id fermentum felis tincidunt eu. Curabitur ipsum justo, dictum id finibus vitae, pulvinar non tortor. Curabitur vel mi a urna gravida commodo vitae vel libero. Maecenas imperdiet sed diam eget viverra.

```
ggplot(nursery_data, aes(form, fill=class)) +
  geom_bar(aes(y = (..count..)/sum(..count..)), alpha=0.9) +
  facet_wrap(~has_nurs) +
  scale_fill_brewer(palette = "Dark2", direction = -1) +
  scale_y_continuous(labels=scales::percent, breaks=seq(0,0.4,0.05)) +
  ylab("Percentage") +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5)) +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 1))
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Modeling

Splitting the dataset into train and test

We are splitting the dataset in such a way, that train and test sets would have similar distribution of the 'class' attribute.

```
train.rows<- createDataPartition(y= nursery_data$class, p=0.9, list = FALSE)
train.data<- nursery_data[train.rows,]
prop.table(table(train.data$class))

#>
#>   not_recom   priority   recommend   spec_prior   very_recom
#> 0.3332761872 0.3291616664 0.0001714384 0.3120178296 0.0253728785
```

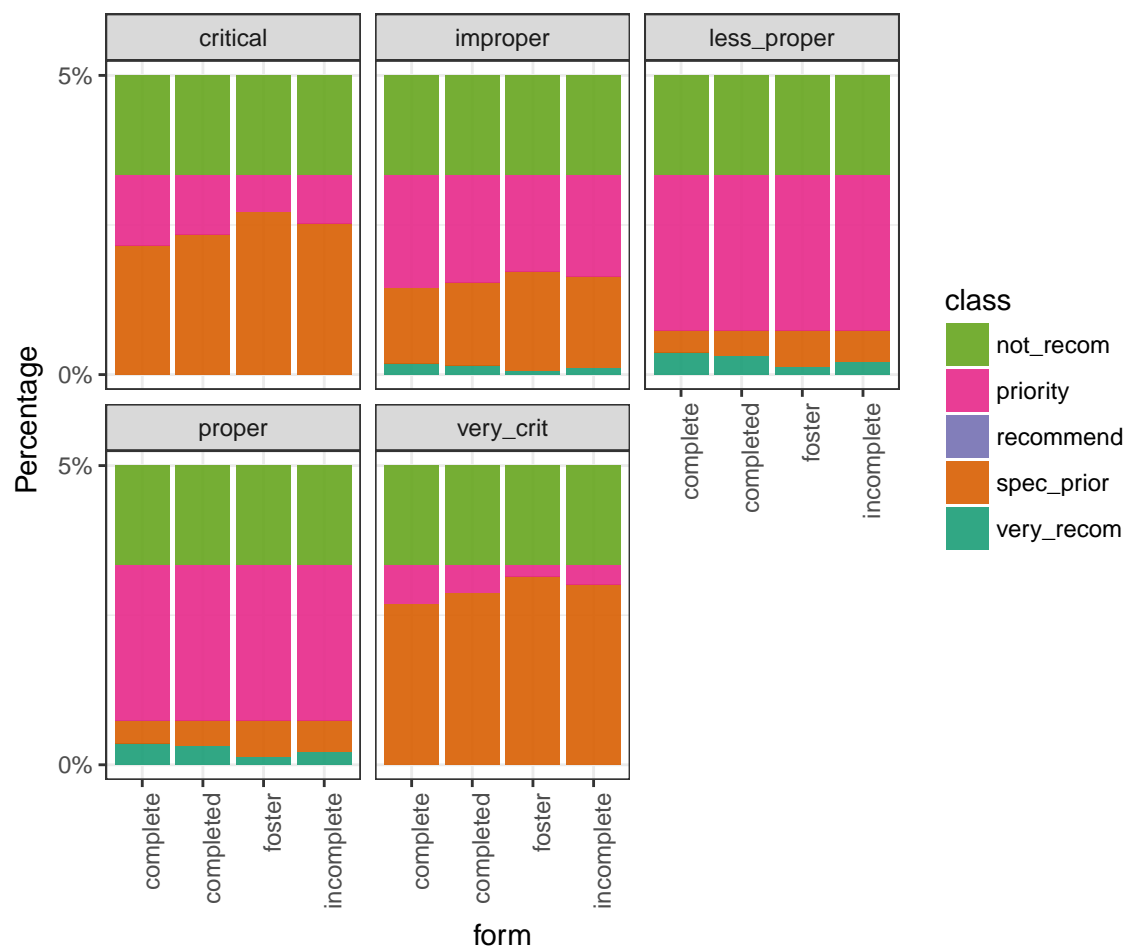


Figure 6: Distribution of Class attribute depending on nursery

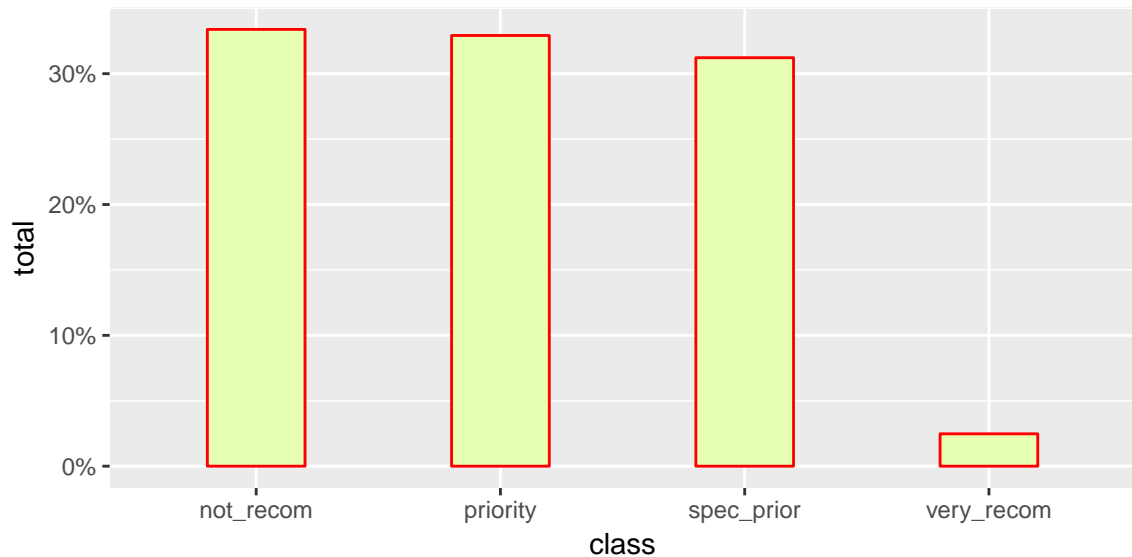


Figure 7: Distribution of Class attribute depending on nursery

```
test.data<- nursery_data[-train.rows,]
prop.table(table(test.data$class))

#>
#> not_recom priority recommend spec_prior very_recom
#> 0.33384853 0.32921175 0.00000000 0.31221020 0.02472952
```

The following code (Figure 7) renders distribution of 'class' attribute depending on 'nursery' attribute. Pellentesque aliquam ligula eu justo porttitor, non fringilla erat vehicula. Pellentesque et dolor non nunc aliquet euismod. Vivamus vel malesuada lorem. Fusce eget mauris a nulla sollicitudin eleifend eu auctor ligula. Sed nec dictum lorem. Vestibulum bibendum ultrices lorem, id fermentum felis tincidunt eu. Curabitur ipsum justo, dictum id finibus vitae, pulvinar non tortor. Curabitur vel mi a urna gravida commodo vitae vel libero. Maecenas imperdiet sed diam eget viverra.

```
ggplot(test.data, aes(x=as.factor(class))) +
  geom_bar(aes(y = (.count.)/sum(.count.)),width=0.4,
    color="red", fill=rgb(0.9,1,0.7) )+theme(legend.position = "none") +
  labs(x = "class",y="total")+scale_y_continuous(labels=scales::percent)
```

Decision Tree model fit

As a first step we will train a Decision Tree model. This model is known to be computationally fast, but not very precise. We will use all default parameters and all attributes of the train dataset. Resulting tree is presented in Figure 8. It shows that Fusce eget mauris a nulla sollicitudin eleifend eu auctor ligula. Sed nec dictum lorem. Vestibulum bibendum ultrices lorem, id fermentum felis tincidunt eu. Curabitur ipsum justo, dictum id finibus vitae, pulvinar non tortor. Curabitur vel mi a urna gravida commodo vitae vel libero. Maecenas imperdiet sed diam eget viverra.

```
fitdt <- rpart(as.factor(class)~., method="class", data=train.data)
fancyRpartPlot(fitdt, main = "", sub = "")
```

Decision Tree model evaluation

```
dtPrediction <- predict(fitdt, test.data, type = "class")

confMat <- table(dtPrediction,test.data$class)
confMat

#>
#> dtPrediction not_recom priority recommend spec_prior very_recom
```

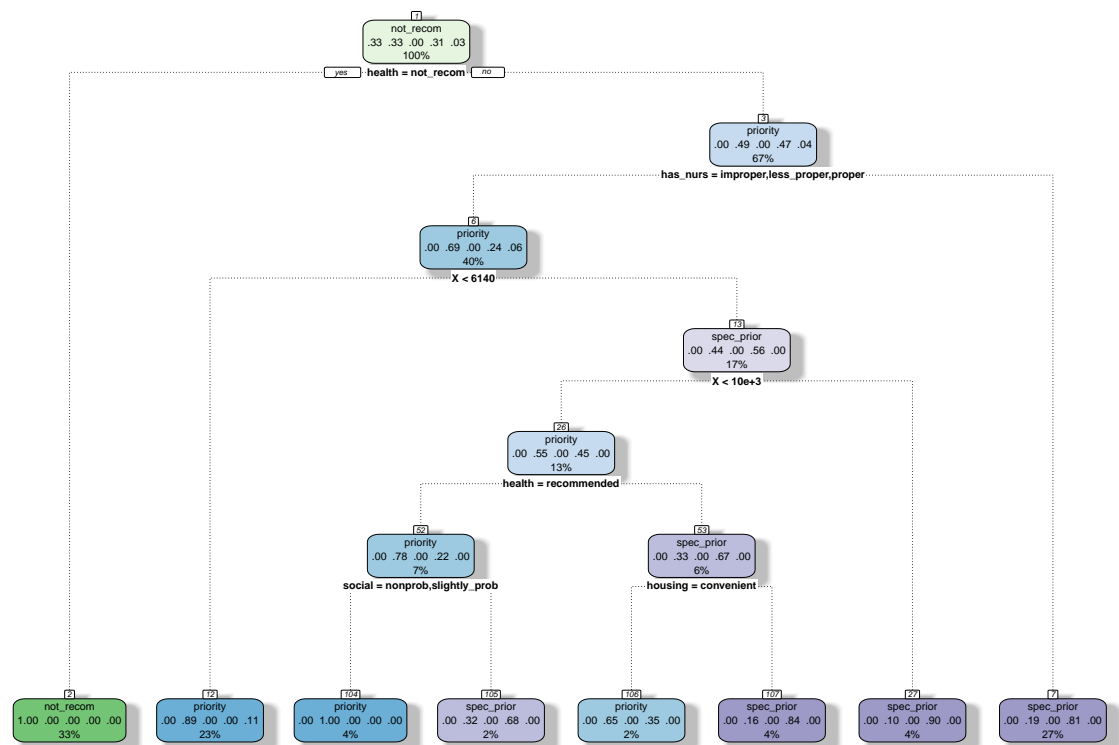


Figure 8: Decision tree diagram

```

#> not_recom      432      0      0      0      0
#> priority        0     325      0     11     32
#> recommend       0      0      0      0      0
#> spec_prior      0     101      0    393      0
#> very_recom      0      0      0      0      0

```

```

accuracy <- sum(diag(confMat))/sum(confMat)
cat(sprintf("\nAccuracy=%f", accuracy))

```

```

#>

```

```

#> Accuracy=0.888717

```

Random Forest model fit

```

library(randomForest)
fitRF1 <- randomForest(as.factor(class)~.,
                        data=train.data,
                        importance=TRUE,
                        ntree=1000)

```

Importance of the dataset attributes for the prediction of the 'class' attribute shown in Figure 9. Nam libero tempore, cum soluta nobis est eligendi optio cumque nihil impedit quo minus id quod maxime placeat facere possimus, omnis voluptas assumenda est, omnis dolor repellendus. Temporibus autem quibusdam et aut officiis debitis aut rerum necessitatibus saepe eveniet ut et voluptates repudiandae sint et molestiae non recusandae. Itaque earum rerum hic tenetur a sapiente delectus, ut aut reiciendis voluptatibus maiores alias consequatur aut perferendis doloribus asperiores repellat.

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varImpPlot(fitRF1, main="")

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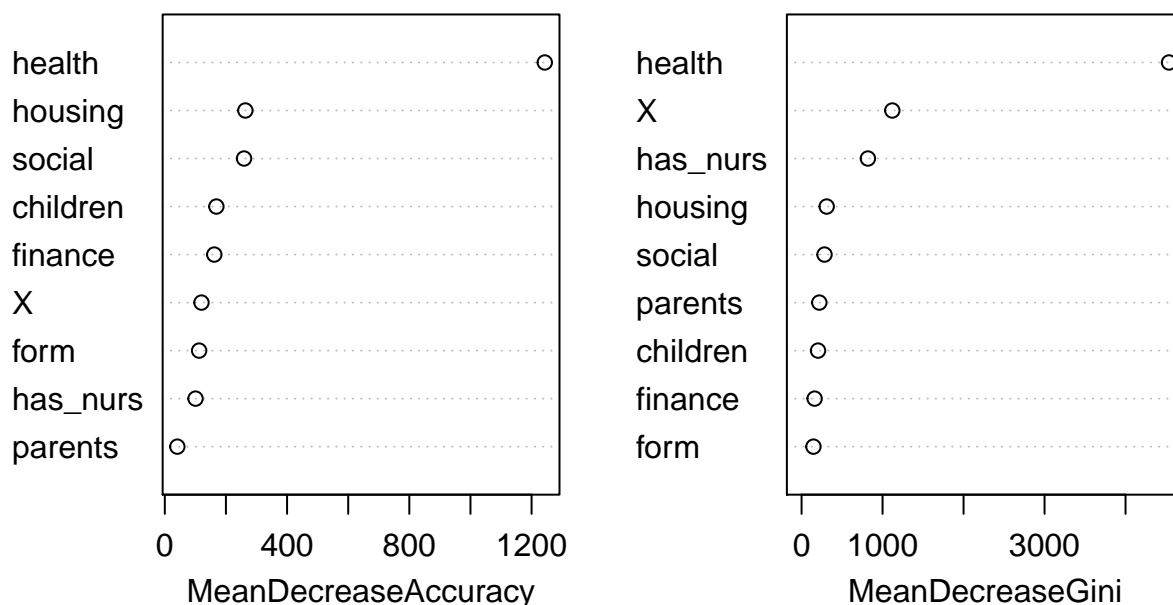



Figure 9: Importance of the dataset attributes for the prediction of the 'class' attribute

Random Forest model prediction and evaluation

```
PredictionRF1 <- predict(fitRF1, test.data)
head(PredictionRF1)

#>      7      9     33     48     53     60
#> priority not_recom not_recom not_recom priority not_recom
#> Levels: not_recom priority recommend spec_prior very_recom

confMat <- table(PredictionRF1, test.data$class)
confMat

#>
#> PredictionRF1 not_recom priority recommend spec_prior very_recom
#> not_recom      432         0         0         0         0
#> priority         0      425         0         0         0
#> recommend         0         0         0         0         0
#> spec_prior         0         1         0      404         0
#> very_recom         0         0         0         0      32

accuracy <- sum(diag(confMat))/sum(confMat)
cat(sprintf("\nAccuracy=%f", accuracy))

#>
#> Accuracy=0.999227
```

Dicsussion

Nor again is there anyone who loves or pursues or desires to obtain pain of itself, because it is pain, but because occasionally circumstances occur in which toil and pain can procure him some great pleasure. To take a trivial example, which of us ever undertakes laborious physical exercise, except to

obtain some advantage from it? But who has any right to find fault with a man who chooses to enjoy a pleasure that has no annoying consequences, or one who avoids a pain that produces no resultant pleasure?"

Conclusion

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